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6215
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons claiming debts or liabilities affecting the estate of the abovenamed BOMANJEE DINSHAW PETIT, a Merchant, late of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant, deceased, who died at Bombay on or about the 17th day of December, 1915, and Probate of whose Will having effect throughout the Province of Bombay was granted by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay on the 22nd day of June, 1916, to Bai GOOLBAI BOMANJEE PETIT, the widow and JEHANGIR BOMANJEE PETIT and PHIROZSHA BOMANJEE PETIT, two of the sons of the said deceased and Double Probate whereof having effect throughout the Province of Bombay was granted by the High Court of Judicature at Bombay on the 20th day of October, 1916, to DHUNJIBHOY BOMANJEE PETIT, another son of the said deceased are hereby required to send in their claims to the said executrix and executors at the office of Messrs. Wadia Ghandy and Co., their attorneys in the Oriental Buildings, Esplanade Road Fort, Bombay, within one calendar month from the date hereof at the expiration of which time the said executrix and executors will hand over the assets to the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims of which they shall then have notice and no claim sent in subsequently, will be recognised.
And all persons indebted to or holding any securities or property belonging to the said estate are hereby required forthwith to pay the amounts owing by them or to deliver up the said securities or property as the case may be to the said Messrs. Wadia Ghandy and Co., the attorneys of the above-named executrix and executors.
Dated this 11th day of December, 1916.
WADIA GHANDY & CO.,
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AUCTION SALE TO-MORROW, SUNDAY, THE 17TH DECEMBER, 1916, AT 2-30 P.M. (S.T.)
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TO-MORROW, SUNDAY, the 17th day of December, 1916, at 2-30 p.m. (S.T.), Messrs. J. S. MODY & Co., Auctioneers are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at Warden Road, Mahaluxmi in Mr. Cassamalli Jairajbhoy Peerbhoy's Bungalow, very valuable and handsome made to order teak and blackwood household furniture comprising telescopic dining table, handsome mirrored artistic sideboard, handsome dinner waggons, dumbwaiters, arm and armless chairs, meatsafes, rich glass and crockeryware, handsome marble top tables, fancy teapoys, rich velvet and tapestry lined drawing room suite, handsome artistic cabinets, corner cabinets, rich oil paintings, rich table ornaments roll topped office table large English marble top pier glasses with stands. Cuckoo clock, 1 set 32 Vols. Encyclopaedia Britanica, English safe with stand, made to order teak and blackwood double and single bedsteads, handsome mirror door almirahs, clothes and gown presses, chest of drawers, revolving book cases, jardineers, reclining sofas, second hand motor tyres, trunks, record stands, etc., etc.
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WEATHER REPORT

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

SIMLA, Dec. 15.

The unsettled conditions in north-west India have intensified slightly and lig't rainfall has occurred along the North-West Frontier; elsewhere the weather has continued dry.

Forecast:—Some precipitation in north Punjab and surrounding hills.

TEMPERATURE IN BOMBAY.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

Bombay, 14th Dec. 1916.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m., 2 p.m. 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected to 32 deg Fahr....	29.946 Inch.
Temperature of Air	78.5 Deg.
Wet Bulb Thermometer	68.9 "
Dew Point.....	64.1 "
Relative humidity of Air	0.632 "
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky cloudy—10)	0.0 "
Maximum temperature of Air	84.9 "
Minimum....do.....do.....	71.3 "
General direction of Wind from midnight to midnight	ENE,NNW,NNE.
Movement of Wind in 24 hours from midnight to midnight	157 Miles.

SUN, MOON AND TIDES IN BOMBAY.

The following are the hours and heights of the tides in Bombay Harbour during the ensuing week. Hour stated in Bombay Mean Time depth of water is at Prince's Dock:—

Day of Week.	Day of Month.	HIGH WATER. Bombay Mean time.	Depth on Still.	Day of Month.	LOW WATER. Bombay Mean time.	Depth on Still.
	Dec.	h. m.	ft. in.	Dec.	h. m.	ft. in.
Fri.	15	m 2 22	27 4	15	m 8 45	19 9
		2 29a	24 8		7 56a	13 8
Sat.	16	m 2 53	26 9	16	m 9 25	19 9
		3 19a	24 1		8 37a	19 6
Sun.	17	m 3 30	26 3	17	m 10 19	19 8
		4 19a	23 11		9 30a	20 5
Mon.	18	m 4 15	25 10	18	m 11 23	19 4
		5 31a	24 0		10 42a	21 3
Tues.	19	m 5 11	25 4	19	0 22a	18 8
		6 50a	24			
Wed.	20	m 6 13	25 4	20	m 0 23	21 7
		8 10a	25 5		1 17a	17 10
Thur.	21	m 7 17	25 8	21	m 1 49	21 6
		9 11a	26 8		2 7a	16 10

The following are the hours of sunrise and sunset according to Indian Standard Time during the ensuing week:—

Dec.		Sunrise.		Sunset.	
15	(Friday)	7h.	4m.	6h.	4m.
16	(Saturday)	7h.	5m.	6h.	4m.
17	(Sunday)	7h.	5m.	6h.	5m.
18	(Monday)	7h.	6m.	6h.	5m.
19	(Tuesday)	7h.	6m.	6h.	6m.
20	(Wednesday)	7h.	7m	6h	6m.
21	(Thursday)	7h.	7m	6h.	7m.

PHASES OF THE MOON:—

First Quater	1916 Dec.	2nd., 7h. 25.5m. a.m.
Full Moon	" "	9th., 6h. 13.9m. p.m.
Last Quarter	" "	17th., 11h. 36.4m. p.m.
New Moon	" "	25th., 2h. 1.2m. a.m.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

Summary of observations recorded at 8 hours on Friday, the 15th December, 1916, giving data for the preceding 24 hours.

The Punjab.—Skies are lightly or moderately clouded. Temperature has risen and is now in excess in the northern half of the division.

The United Provinces.—Skies are clear.

Sind and Rajputana.—Skies are clear in east Rajputana and lightly clouded elsewhere.

The air is damper than usual in lower Sind. Day temperature has risen and is now in excess at Bikaner, Jaipur and Karachi.

Gujarat, Kathiawar and Central India West.—Skies are clear. Night temperature is in defect at Bhuj and Neemuch.

The Central Provinces.—Skies are clear. Humidity is normal or in excess.

The Konkan.—Skies are lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess.

The Bombay Deccan and Hyderabad.—Skies are clear or lightly clouded. Humidity is normal or in excess. Temperature is in defect at some stations.

General Remarks.—The unsettled conditions in north-west India have slightly intensified and have determined a general increase of cloud in that region and light local precipitation in north Baluchistan. Elsewhere weather has been dry.

A few showers may occur in Baluchistan and the Punjab.

OBSERVATIONS TAKEN AT 8 a. m. on FRIDAY, the 15th of December 1916.

STATIONS.	Temp in Shade. Maximum of past 24 hours	Temp in Shade. Minimum of past 24 hours	Humidity. 8 A. M.	Rainfall. Past 24 hours	Rainfall. Total, 1st Nov. to date.	Rainfall. Departure, 1st Nov. to date.
PERSIAN GULF—						
Bushire	..	..	83	..	..	..
Do. (14th Dec.)	67.7	51.9	83	0.04	..	—2.58
Jask	76.7	63.9	78	0.12	..	—0.85
Do. (14th Dec.)	77.6	62.2	88	0.02	..	—0.81
Muskat	82.7	68.5	76	0	..	—0.74
Do. (14th Dec.)	81.9	67.9	80	0	..	—0.72
PUNJAB—						
Multan	76.3	49.6	59	0	..	—0.21
Rawalpindi	77	49.5	66	0.01	..	—0.52
Lahore	76	48.0	82	0.02	..	—0.18
Risaur	73	44.1	70	0	..	..
Ambala	77.7	48.1	69	0	..	—0.49
Delhi	77.0	49.8	57	0	..	—0.34
UNITED PROVINCES—						
Agra	79	50.0	57	0	..	—0.15
Mainpuri	76.1	47.1	91	0.01	..	—0.30
Jhansi	81.6	49.2	65	0.78	..	0.65
Cawnpur	75.4	51.1	73	2.20	..	1.85
Allahabad	76.7	50.0	61	0.51	..	0.06
SIND AND RAJPUTANA						
Jacobabad	76.9	48.0	76	0	..	—0.12
Karachi	83.0	61.5	69	0	..	—0.1
Ajmer	77.2	44.0	73	0	..	—0.34
Jaipur	81.5	48.1	50	0	..	—0.24
Kotah	82.0	52.6	79	0	..	—0.22
Mount Abu	72.0	54.9	86	0	..	—0.33
GUJARAT, KATHIAWAR AND CENTRAL INDIA West—						
Bhuj	84.4	51.7	48	0	..	—0.18
Dwarka	80.1	61.6	71	0	..	—0.05
Veraval	83.4	61.8	68	0	..	—0.04
Rajkot	86.0	50.1	47	0	..	—0.15
Bhavnagar Para	85.0	53.3	58	0	..	—0.21
Surat	87.1	65.7	63	0	..	—0.13
Ahmedabad	87.6	54.5	38	0	..	—0.49
Deesa	88.8	51.0	49	0	..	—0.10
Neemuch	80.1	45.3	53	0	..	—0.21
Indore	80.1	49.1	67	0.86	..	0.44
CENTRAL PROVINCES—						
Jubbulpore	75.9	44.5	79	2.76	..	2.22
Saugor	78.0	53.6	56	0.32	..	—0.29
Hoshangabad	78.1	47.6	73	1.42	..	0.61
Nimanwa	82.0	48.9	73	1.00	..	0.43
Akola	82.2	48.8	65	2.42	..	1.48
Amraoti	81.6	46.3	49	0.45	..	—0.24
Nagpur	79.4	50.0	64	2.50	..	1.66
Chanda	78.6	46.0	80	0.03	..	—0.21
Raipur	79.6	51.7	74	2.30	..	1.62
KONKAN—						
Bombay	84.9	70.5	80	0.72	..	0.34
Ratnagiri	89.5	67.5	48	7.26	..	6.70
Ratnagiri	82	68.9	87	3.48	..	2.91
Karwar	87.5	65.0	84	8.40	..	6.70
BOMBAY DECCAN AND HYDERABAD—						
Malegaon	81.7	47.2	58	1.33	..	0.92
Ahmednagar	83.0	48.8	64	0.66	..	—0.24
Poona	80.0	48.5	69	1.91	..	1.41
Sholapur	83.8	54.6	47	8.23	..	7.05
Bijapur	79.8	52.1	76	9.47	..	8.44
Belgaum	78.9	53.4	73	10.91	..	9.65
Aurangabad	84.1	53.1	49	4.38	..	—0.06
Khandesh(Indor).	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hyderabad	76.9	54.2	51	2.44	..	1.50
MALABAR AND CEYLON						
Mangalore	91.1	68.9	64	4.75	..	1.76
Calicut	86.1	65.1	81	5.70	..	0.49
Cochin	91.8	71.9	66	4.93	..	—2.73
Colombo	85.4	70.2	90	15.07	..	—3.01
MADRAS, (EXCLUDING MALABAR) AND MYSORE—						
Nagapattam	82.1	64.2	77	10.85	..	5.19
Bellary	83.5	58.7	70	2.17	..	0.10
Cuddapah	85.6	70.4	59	3.46	..	—0.29
Madras	84.0	73.2	68	17.59	..	1.64
Bangalore	77.5	66.5	84	10.14	..	7.03
Coimbatore	86.1	68.7	74	5.73	..	1.98
Trichinopoly	86.5	66.8	81	2.33	..	—3.16
Nagapattam	82.2	70.7	80	14.98	..	—3.47

STANDARD BAROMETER READING.

The following information is published in order that vessels in the Bombay Harbour may by comparison with a standard instrument ascertain the errors of their barometers:—

The reading of the Standard Barometer in the Colaba Observatory corrected for index error and reduced to 80 deg. F. and to the level of the tide, at 8-45 a.m., Standard Time, on the 15th December 1916 was 30.195 inches For temperature corrections applicable to mercurial barometer of ships the reading of the ship's barometer has to be increased or decreased by .031 inch for every 5 degrees according as the temperature of the attached thermometer is respectively below or above 80 deg. F. In case of the aneroid no temperature correction is needed. But for comparison at 80 deg. F. all aneroid readings should be increased by .134 inch. For correcting the ship's barometer either mercurial or aneroid for the height of the barometer cistern above the tide level in the stream at 8-45 a.m. Standard Time, the ship's barometer reading should be increased by .014 inch for every 10 feet of the height to make it comparable with the observatory barometer reading given.

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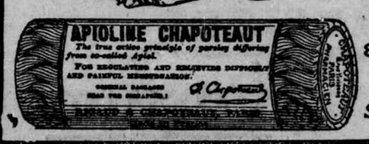

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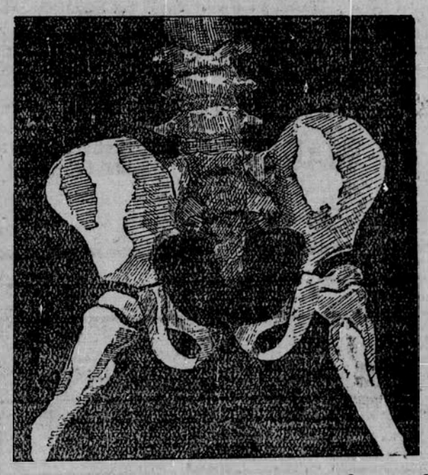

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Afghan Memorial Church, Colaba.—Chaplain Rev. R. L. Wormald; 8 a.m., Holy Communion; 10 a.m., Parade Service; 5-15 p.m., Sunday School; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service.

All Saints' Church Malabar Hill,—8 a.m., Matins; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evenson.

St. Mary the Blessed Virgin, Parel.—Chaplain Rev. J. B. Glass 8 a.m., Morning Prayer; 8-30 a.m. Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon, Preacher Rev. J. B. Glass.

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St. Paul's,, Kamatipura (S. P. G.), Foras A. Sawtell. 7-0 a.m., Matins; 7-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion (Choral); 6-30 p.m., Evensond and Sermon.

Christ Church, Byculla.—Chaplain Rev. W. A. Sawtell. 7-30 a.m. Holy Communion; 8-30 a.m., Matins (Choral); 6-30 p.m. Evensong and Sermon.

St. Nicholas Church opposite Prince's Dock Chaplain (Vacant) 9-15 a.m., Morning Prayer and Holy Communion 7 p.m., Evensong Service and Sermon; Week days, 9 p.m., Evening Prayer.

Holy Trinity Church, Hornby Road, Clergy: Rev. A. E. Bradbury, 8 a.m., Matins and Litany; 8-30 a.m., Holy Communion; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon.

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St Peter's, Mazagon.—6-30 a.m., Holy Eucharist; 7-15 a.m., Matins and Litany; 8-0 a.m., Choral Eucharist and Sermon; 6-30 p.m., Evensong and Sermon. Alms for Church Expenses.

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United Free Church of Scotland, Waudby Road.—Chaplain: Rev. R. M. Gray. 9-30 a.m., United Service in St. Andrew's Church; 5 p.m., Sunday School and Bible Collection for St. George's Nursing Association. Preacher, Rev. R. M. Gray.

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Ambroli Presbyterian Church, Girgaum Back Road.—Minister: Rev. M. B. Nicambe English Service, 8-30 a.m., Evening Service in Marathi 5 p.m.

METHODIST.

Taylor Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church Clare Road, Byculla, Pastor Rev. W. E. Bancroft, 8-30 a.m., Sunday School; 9-15 a.m., Morning Service; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service; 8-30 p.m., Men's Social Hour in Union Hall.

Bowen Memorial Methodist Episcopal Church Lansdowne Road, Apollo Bunder.—Pastor Rev. H. Ingham, 9-45 a.m., Sunday School 11 a.m., Morning Service; 6-30 Evening Service. A cordial welcome to all.

WESLEYAN.

Wesleyan Church, Colaba Causeway.—9 a.m., Morning Service; Preacher: Rev. E. Hart; 6-30 p.m. Evening Service, Preacher: Rev. Scotland); 5-15 p.m., Sunday School; 6-30 T. H. Sheriff: 5 p.m., Sunday School and Adult Bible Class.

Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens.—10 a.m., Morning Service; Preacher: Rev. T. H. Sheriff: 6-30 p.m., Evening Service; Preacher: Rev. Frank Hart; Sunday School at 3 p.m.

Wesleyan Marathi Mission (Minister Rev. S. Raahtor)—8-15 a.m., Byculla; 4-30 p.m., Elphinstone Road, Parel; 6-30 p.m., Elphinstone Road, Parel (Tamil and Telagu Service).

CONGREGATIONAL.

American Mission Church.—Hume Memorial Church New Nagpada Road, Byculla.—Pastor Rev. John Malelu.—9 a.m., Sunday School; 1 a.m., Sunday School Teachers Class; 3-45 p.m., Gospel Spreading Society; 5 p.m. Afternoon Service; Prayer Meeting on Friday at 8-30 p.m., Goodwill. Agripada 9 a.m., Sunday School; 5 p.m., Afternoon Service, Preacher: Rev. S. G. Gaikwad.

BAPTIST.

Bombay Baptist Church (opp. Post Office), Middle Colaba. Minister Rev. E. P. Blackaby. 9 a.m., Morning Service; Subject: "Remembrance and Hope,.; 6-30 p.m., Evening Service; Subject: "The Lost Leader." Sunday School from 5 to 6 p.m. All seats free. A cordial welcome to all.

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The Cathedral (Our Lady of Hope), Kalbadevi, Vicar: Rev. Dr. B. de Monte, 7 and 8-30 a.m., Masses; 5-30, Evening Service.

The Holy Name, Wodehouse Road.—Clergy: The Jesuit Fathers, Masses 6 a.m., 8 a.m., and 9 a.m., Evening Service, 6-30 p.m.

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Cavel Church, (Our Lady of Health).—Vicar: Rev. M. D'Sa. Masses 7 and 8-30.

Mount Mary's Chapel, Bandra Hill, Bandra 9-30 a.m., Mass.

Church of St. Francis Xavier, Dabul (Burrow's Lane), Girgaum Road.—Vicar: Rev. Fr. J. N. Coutinho, 5-30, 6-30, 7-30 and 10-30 a.m., Masses: 6 p.m., Benediction.

St. Teresa's Chapel, Girgaum Tram Terminus. —Chaplain Rev. D. Remedios.—6-30 a.m. Mass; 5-30 Evening Service.

Chapel of Our Lady of Dolours, New Sonapur. —Chaplain Rev. Daniel X. Fernandes. Masses at 6 and 8 a.m. with Benediction of Masses at 6 and 8 a.m. with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

St. Joseph's Colaba.—8 a.m. Mass and Sermon: 6-30 p.m. Service and Benediction.

St. Joseph's Omarkhadi.—7 and 8-30 a.m., Masses: 5-30 p.m., Benediction.

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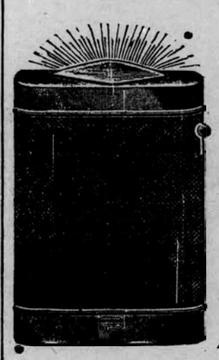

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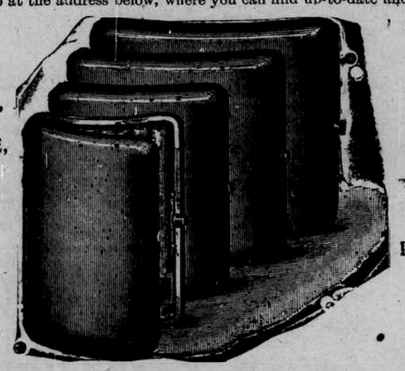

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DEPARTURES.

Dec. 15th.

Salsette	Armitage	Sydney, etc.
Lhasa	King	Karachi
Singu	Reid	Rangoon
Quilon	Warrington	Do.

The following vessel began to load yesterday:—

Steamer	*Matania	for	London

*To arrive.

Dec. 15.

S. S. Yetorofu Maru:—The N. Y. K. steamer Yetorofu Maru left Kobe for Hongkong via Moji (Westward bound) on the 14th instant.

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S. S. Mogomi Maru:—The steamer Mogomi Maru, 1,289 tons, Captain J. Hajomoti, arrived in harbour yesterday from Busreh, which port she had left on the 4th instant, with a general cargo and 12 deck passengers.

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" " to Continent			11,000
Futures at New York March			18.32—45
" " May			18.53—.3
Spot Cotton at New York		18.35	Unchgd
" " New Orleans		18 00	
Futures at New Orleans March			17.82—48
" " May			18.08—50
Fair Rio Coffee (No. 7 quality)			9½
Demand Bills			4.75.50
Silver Commercial Bars			76

EXTRA ALLOTMENTS.

London, Dec. 13th.

Transfers on Bombay Rs. 12,00,000 @ 1-4 7/32

Deferred:—
Transfers on Calcutta Rs. 20,00,000 }
" " Bombay " 4,00,000 } @ 1-4 1/8
" " Madras " 10,0 ,000 }
Bills on Madras Rs. 10,000 @ 1-4 1/8

MONEY MARKET.

London, Dec. 13th.

Bar Silver Spot			36 5/8
Closing Tone of Silver:— Steady.			
Secret. Bank of England Rate 6 per cent since 12th July 1916.			
Discount Bank Bills 3 m/s			5 9/16
" Indian Bank Bills 6 m/s			5/
" Fine Trade Bills 3 months			5½
" " " 6 "			6¼
Interest day to day loans			4½
7 day market loans			4½
Consols 2½%			54¼ ½
Rupee Paper 3½%			49½ Unchgd.
Indian Stock 3½% Sterling Loan			64¼ ½
Government Securities 3½%			52½ ½
Ex. On London at Paris Francs			27.80 Unchgd.

WAR LOANS.

London, Dec. 13th.

5½% 1925—1928			£94 ½
4½% 1925—1945			£96½ ½

MISCELLANEOUS MARKETS.

London, Dec. 13th.

WHEAT

Wheat Choice White Karachi, per 492 lbs. C.I.F. Paid	81

AUSTRALIAN.

South Australian. Shipped-Paid	82

BARLEY

Karachi Barley Jan. Buyers Not offered	68

SEEDS.

Rapeseed, Ferozepore Usual Bold Dec.-Jan. Sellers	92
Rapeseed, Yellow Guzerat, 416 lbs. ex-Ship Dec-Jan Sellers	94
Rapeseed, Brown, Cawnpore 416 lbs. ex-Ship. Nov.-Dec Nominal	88
Linseed Bombay per 416 lbs. ex-Ship Dec.-Jan Sellers. Inactive	110
Toria Rapeseed Dec.-Jan Sellers	95

LINSEED.

Linseed Argentine (La Plata) White Bold Gingelly Dec.-Jan.	£29
Linseed Calcutta Dec.-Jan Resellers Inactive.	109

COTTONSEED.

Bombay Cottonseed (sound delivered per ton) Dec.-Jan. Hull Buyers Not offered	£18-15-0

METALS.

English best Selected Copper	£108
Standard Copper G.M.B. Nominal	£103
Copper Braziers Nominal	£108
Yellow Metal	17½
Hard Spelter	48

FREIGHT.

Coals:—Cardiff to Bombay Canal.—Nominal.

JAVA SUGAR.

Raw Java Nos. 16/18 C. & F. Calcutta Jan.-Feb.	24
Raw Java C. & F. Bombay Jan.-Feb.	24/3
Do. Karachi Jan.-Feb.	24/4
Fine White Java C. & F. Calcutta Jan.-Feb.	27
Do. do. Bombay Jan.-Feb.	27/3
Do. do Karachi Jan.-Feb.	27/4

RUBBER.

Para Rubber Fine Hard Cure Jan.	3/3½
Plantation First Latex Crepe Dec Irregular	3/1 to 2/10½

BEEF AND MUTTON TALLOW.

London, Dec. 13th.

Finest Australian Beef Tallow	57
" " Mutton "	58
General Tone of Tallow Steady.	

STATEMENT OF SHIPMENTS TO INDIA.

By Mail.

The following Statement comprises the Shipments of Goods for the Month of October, 1916.

London, Nov. 16th.

TO CALCUTTA.

Cotton Piece-goods. (in yards.)

Bleached and White	10,01°,300
Unbleached and Grey	24,348,·00
Dyed and Colored	7,977,600
Printed	2,752,400

Twist and Yarns (in lbs.

Dyed and Bleached	225,5?0
Unbleached and Grey	93,000
Total Shipments of Salt	5,647

TO RANGOON.

Cotton Piece-goods. (in yards.)

Bleached and White	3,129,000
Unbleached and Grey	1,051,300
Dyed and Colored	1,477,300
Printed	1,808,300

Twist and Yarns (in lbs.)

Dyed and Bleached	57,000
Unbleached and Grey	1,500

TO MADRAS.

Cotton Piece-goods. (in yards).

Bleached and White	882,500
Unbleached and Grey	970,800
Dyed and Colored	621,300
Printed	2,359,100

Twist and Yarns (in lbs.)

Dyed and Bleached	356,340
Unbleached and Grey	25,800

TO BOMBAY.

Cotton Piece-goods (in yards.)

Bleached and White	11,857,500
Unbleached and Grey	5,616,400
Dyed and Colored	6,372,400
Printed	9,251,200

Twist and Yarns. (in lbs.)

Dyed and Bleached	270,910
Unbleached and Grey	335,460

TO KARACHI.

Cotton Piece-goods. (in yards.)

Bleached and White	15,182,400
Unbleached and Grey	842,600
Dyed and Colored	2,587,200
Printed	5,012,900

Twist and Yarns. (in lb.)

Dyed and Bleached	32,?00
Unbleached and Grey	27,500

BOMBAY MARKET.

COTTON.

(By our Commercial Correspondent.)

Dec. 15.

The market to-day opened easy at Rs. 387½ for M. G. Good Broach and on a rumour that New York had closed much lower prices gave way about Rs. 5:—

M. G. Broach fluctuated between Rs. 382 and Rs. 384, but no business of any importance has yet been reported.

Ready cotton is in fair demand.

G. M. G. Broach 385, April.
F. G. Bengal 286½, January
F. M. G. K./Akola 358, January.

Messrs PATEL BROS. APPROXIMATE QUOTATIONS AT MID-DAY.

Bombay, Dec. 14th.

DESCRIPTION		DELIVERY Jan. 1917	Mar. 1917	Apru 1917	SPOT COTTON
Broach,	Good M.G	..	..	400	..
Broach,	Fine M.G.	..	412	..	New
Bengal,	F.G. M.G.	300	..	..	279/85
Bengal,	Fine M.G.	310	..	..	285/90
Bengal,	Superfine M.G.	..	..	..	300/10
Sapputeana,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Sind Punjab,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	285/90
Khan. Akola	Fine M.G.	362	..	..	330/65
Khan/Amraoti,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	360/70
Dharng./Pulgaon,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Berars,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Nagpore,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	390/00
Hinga./Wardha,	Fine G.M.	..	..	..	..
Khandesh,	Fine M.G.	359	..	..	340/45
Khandesh,	F.G. M.G.	345/0	..	..	330/40
Kumawa Sanawad,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Jaina	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	355/65
Indore,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Ujjain,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Nander,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Madras,	Fine M.G.	..	..	..	..
Madras,	F.G. M.G.	..	..	..	..
Saw Ginned Dharwar	Good	..	..	..	390/00
Coompta,	Good M.G.	..	..	..	420/3.
Westerns,	Good M.G.	..	..	..	400/10
Westerns	Good F.G.	..	..	..	380/90

THE BOMBAY COTTON EXCHANGE CO., LTD.

Market Quotation for Ready and Forward Delivery Contracts as fixed by the Rate Committee of the Exchange.

COLABA, 15th December, 1916, 5-30 p.m.

Growths.	Super fine	Fine	Fully Good	Good.	Delivery.
Bengals (M.G.),	310	298	285	..	1/25th Jan. 17
Bengals (M.G.)	315	301	288	..	Ready
Scinde-Punjab (M.G.)	..	..	295	..	Ready
	..	29.	283	..	1/25th Jan. 17
Khandesh (M.G.)	..	355	8.8	..	Ready
	..	346	330	..	1/25th Jan. 17
Jaina (M.G.) G.S.	..	..	370	..	Ready
Barsee (M.G.) G.S.	..	..	..	..	..
Oomra M.G. (Fair -staple)	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..
Akola Khamg.	..	358	343	..	Ready
Karanja (M.G.)	..	355	340	..	1/25th Jan. 17
Oomrawatee description (M.G.)	..	358	343	..	Ready
Dharangaum	..	350	335	..	Ready
Poolgaum (M.G.)	..	..	..	..	..
Yeotmal (M.G.)	..	374	359	..	Ready
	..	..	..	..	..
Nagpore Kamptl (M.G.)	..	394	379	..	Ready
Wardha H'ghat (M.G.)	..	410	385	..	Ready
	..	..	..	..	..
Broach (M.G.)	..	..	..	..	385/25th Ap. 1917
	..	..	..	..	..
Surat (M.G.)	..	..	..	..	..
Hathia (M.G.)	..	355	340	..	Ready
	..	347	330	..	1/25th Jan. 1917
Bingalkote-Bijapur (M.G.)	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..
Sawgd. Dharwar	..	..	..	..	36 April-May 1917
	..	..	..	..	..
Westerns (M.G.)	..	..	..	..	34 April-May 1917
Westerns (F.G.)	..	..	..	..	38 April May 1917
Compta (M.G.)	..	..	..	..	400 April-May 1917
	..	..	..	..	..
Miraj (M.G.)	..	..	..	..	404 April-May 1917
	..	..	..	..	..

WHEAT AND SEEDS.

Bombay, Dec 15th—4 p.m.

The following are to-day's closing rates as issued by the Marwari Chamber of Commerce.

Ready.		Bazaar Terms. Rs. a. p.	Hall Delivery Rs. a. p.
Wheat, White Delhi 70-80	..	42 0 0	7 0 0
" White Cawnpore 70-80	..	42 0 0	7 0 0
" Karachi Bangla	..	42 0 0	7 0 0
Rapeseed, Brown Delhi	..	7 0 0	7 8 0
" Brown Cawnpore	..	9 12 0	7 2 0
" Yellow Cawnpore	..	7 0 0	7 8 0
Linseed, Brown Bold	..	9 13 0	10 4 0
" Brown Thin	..	9 8 0	9 14 0
Feelseed, White 85-15	..	45 0 0	10 0 0
" Gajar 75-25	..	46 0 0	9 10 0
" Black	..	39 0 0	8 4 0
" Gajar 50-50	..	44 0 0	9 4 0
Poppyseed, White	..	7 4 0	7 12 0
Groundnuts	..	43 0 0	.. ..
Mowrseed	..	4 4 0	4 8 0
Jowa	..	31 0 0	4 12 0
Arandia	..	40 0 0	.. ..

Forward.	Rs. a. p.
Wheat April-May	6 9 6
Linseed May	11 1 6
Feelseed White 85-15 Dec./Jan.	10 0 0
" Gajar 75-25 Dec./Jan.	9 10 0
" Gajar 50-50 Dec./Jan.	9 4 0
" Black Dec./Jan.	8 4 0

PIECE-GOODS.

A quiet tone has prevailed in the Cloth Market during the past week. Rupee rates shew a downward tendency and in the absence of actual sales the prices ruling can

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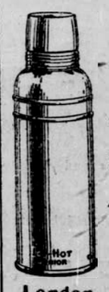

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COMMERCIAL.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

PIECE-GOODS.

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only be said to be nominal. The market has been disorganised by weak holders who have been allowed to sell without finding buyers. Owing to the tightness in the money market no dealer ventures to purchase even at the lower level. Although big dealers have been holding out for full rates, all standard cloths can be had at a fair reduction from middlemen. Some of the latter, having previously bought at low prices, are in a position to sell under the market value and still secure profit; whilst others who have purchased at the higher level are also anxious to part with their holdings even at a sacrifice, for fear of the market declining still further which would mean a heavier loss to them. Notices are being served by the sellers to the buyers, who in their turn are sending copies of some to their purchasers, to pay for and take delivery of the goods. In some transactions the same lot had changed hands sixteen times and in such cases the affair gets more complicated, especially when the sellers press the buyers to the take delivery of the whole lot irrespective of the quantity. The godowns of dealers are quite full, and this want of space for storage, coupled with the stringency of money, has prevented a good many dealers from taking delivery of the goods bought at low rates. The result of this has been that some of the goods have been advertised for sale by public auction on account and risk of the buyers, who are wealthy, but whose capital has been locked up in goods stored in the godowns. In the rising market purchases were being made irrespective of the quantity under the idea that, as the goods were salable at a profit, the more the quantity the more the gain, and instances have happened where 500 and more packages have been purchased by ordinary dealers in a single day. Now when the market is slack they are unable to take up the goods against all these purchases, thus creating a very unpleasant situation. In White Nainsooks and Mulls some styles are being offered for sale in the bazaar at 8 as to 11 as. per piece less than the top rates, which means that the reduction per case is Rs. 75 to Rs. 100, and still buyers are scarce owing to the bearish sentiment prevailing at present. The stocks in the Warehouses at the end of last month shew a reduction of 8,466 packages, but most of these have been consumed and have been stored up in private godowns of dealers and speculators.

On the other hand, the Manchester Market is firm in spite of the decline in the raw material. Here and there some small lots have been booked for distant deliveries. The labour difficulty is increasing. The rate for marine war risk insurance in the route between India and the United Kingdom via Suez has gone up by three per cent.

GREYS.

In Grey cloths the tone has been slightly easier since the close of the previous week; sellers have not met with buyers, and hardly any sales have resulted. The speculators have been anxious to sell off their holdings, and brokers are moving about in the bazaar in search of buyers but without success. In Grey Jacconets prices shew a further decline of two annas per piece. "Musjid" Grey Drills have been quoted at six annas per piece less, but large quantities could be had by bonafide buyers at a further reduction of four annas per piece on this rate, Japanese "Elephant" Drills are steadily rising from the lower level of Rs. 13-8 reached during the previous week and the price is expected to go up to Rs. 14 in a short time. The replacing cost is about Rs. 15 per piece for March delivery

WHITES.

In White goods a smart decline in rates is noticeable, due to forced sales made in the bazaar. In Nainsooks values have dropped down by nine annas per piece in almost all sorts. White Mulls shew a reduction of eight to twelve annas per piece in the absence of buyers. Many big dealers are not parting with their goods at these low rates in view of the firm position of the Manchester Market, but those who are anxious to sell cannot find buyers. Bona-fide purchasers are keeping aloof at present as they anticipate a further decline in rates, owing to the weakness shewn by some holders. These are the consequences of the rapid rise established without any regard to the actual demand for consumption. Much of the advance established by speculative transactions has been wiped off at one stroke, and goods at top prices have been thrown on the shoulders of several buyers who will have to carry the burden with difficulty. And all this has happened in spite of the Manchester Market being firm. A note of warning was given in these columns frequently, and those who have not followed the advice have now to thank themselves for the consequences they have to suffer as a result of reckless trading. The result of the fresh forward transaction made at this high level of prices is still left to be seen, but these buyers, if they had a little patience, would have been able to purchase with great advantage from the local market at present. Some importing firms had received telegrams from Manchester advising them to withhold buying at the moment, and cautious dealers have followed this advice. Liepman's No. 1500 White Shirtings, after having touched the price of Rs. 15-4, have shewn signs of revival, and a steady improvement is expected. Purchases have recently been made of these at the equivalent of Rs. 17 per piece for forward delivery.

The quotations for the leading chops of Greys and Whites are as under:—

	Ins.	Yds.	Rs.	a.	p.
Grey Shirtings—					
Ralli's Fari"No. 2000	39×37⅛/8	..	8	4	0
" " 100000	45×37⅛/8	..	9	4	0
Fleming's No. 1905 ..	48×38	..	10	6	0
Ritchie's No. 1566 ..	38×37/37½	..	..	..	..
Bombay Co.'s No. 2580	44×38½	..	9	8	0
Dewhurst's Rupee" No. 5	39×38½	..	12	0	0
" "BBB" ..	38×38½	..	13	0	0
Grey Jacconets—					
Ralli's No. 18 —	45×22	..	5	8	0
Grey Drills—					
Pepperell "Dragon" ..	29×40	..	17	0	0
Ralli's "Musjid," No. 425	26×40	..	11	2	0
White Shirtings—					
Liepman's No. 1500 ..	32×42	..	15	8	0
H. E. T. C. 40000" ..	36×40	..	17	4	0
White Nainsooks—					
Ralli's Nos. 7070/9090 ..	27×18	..	3	8	0
" No. 39620 T. B..	38×22	..	4	12	0
Graham's Nos. 88/8888.	28×18	..	3	12	0
" " 50000 ..	34×18	..	4	15	0
Greaves' No. 8000 T. B.	38×22	..	4	12	0
Ritchie's 3500/4510/5520	26×18	..	3	4	0
White Mulls—					
Ralli's Nos. 6/60/600 ..	41", 46", 51"×19		6	0	0
" No. 6000 ..	50×19	..	6	12	0
" " 88 ..	58×20	..	5	12	0
" " 818 ..	39×20	..	5	14	0
Ritchie's No 975 ..	50×18	..	5	2	0
" " 66999 ..	40×18	..	4	12	0
" " 1260 ..	27×18	..	3	4	0
Fleming's No. 8080 ..	"	..	3	3	0

LANCASHIRE YARNS.

The Yarn Market has ruled quiet in the absence of demand. The decline in the raw material is deterring buyers from purchasing Sales have been very few and clearances have been poor. Spinners of yarn have continued firm owing to their engagements for months ahead and very high prices are quoted for favourite styles. Forward business is not practicable at present. Stocks in the Warehouses shew a reduction of 213 packages at the end of last month. Lancashire Grey Yarns are quoted as under:—

WATER TWIST GREY—		Rs.	a	p
30s. "Queen" Ticket ..	Per lb.	—	1	3	0
30s. Ordinary qualities ..	"	—	1	2	0
40s. "Cat's Head" Ticket .	"	—	1	5	0
40s. Ordinary qualities ..	"	—	1	4	0

STOCK OF PIECE-GOODS AND YARNS.

The list issued by the Bombay Chamber of Commerce indicates a stock of 24,625 bales and 29,289 cases of cotton piece-goods as on the 30th November last, which shows a decrease of 6,762 bales and 1,704 cases compared with the figures of the previous month. The actual deliveries of cotton piece-goods from Port Trust and Importers' Godowns have been 28,492 packages and the total deliveries including the packages sent direct from Dock Sheds have been 35,169 packages. The imports during last month were 11,203 bales and 15,500 cases of cotton piece-goods and 3,666 packages of Cotton Twist and Yarns. The stock of Cotton Twist and Yarns on the 30th November last stands at 6,967 packages which shews a decrease of 213 packages as compared with the previous month.

THE COTTON POSITION.

The arrivals of raw cotton into Bombay by rail and sea (foreign and Coastwise) during the week ending the 2nd December, 1916, were 83,675 bales of 400 lbs each, as against 68,348 bales and 25,015 bales in the corresponding periods of 1915 and 1914, respectively. The arrivals from the beginning of the present season (1st September) were 380,032 bales, a decrease of 24 per cent as compared with the figures (501,259 bales) of the corresponding period of last year (1915), but an increase of 282 per cent. over the figures (99,512 bales) for 1914.

The total imports during the week ending the 2nd December, 1916, of cotton piecegoods by sea from foreign countries into the ports of Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi, Madras, and Rangoon amounted to 23 million yards, as against 20 million yards and 33 million yards in the corresponding period of 1915 and 1914, respectively. The total quantity of piecegoods (Indian and foreign) despatched during the same period by rail from the ports of Calcutta, Bombay, Karachi, and Madras amounted to 2,530 tons, as against 3,269 tons, in 1915 and 2,696 tons, in 1914.

THE WHEAT POSITION.

The returns for the week ending 2nd December show that the total imports of wheat by rail, river, and sea (foreign and coastwise) into the ports of Bombay, Karachi, and Calcutta for the week ending the 2nd December, 1916, were 36,277 tons, as against 9,780 tons and 12,108 tons for the corresponding period of 1915 and 1914, respectively. For the same period the total exports by sea to foreign countries amounted to 41,218 tons, as against 62 tons and 6,902 tons in the corresponding period of 1915 and 1914, respectively. These weekly figures of exports represent wheat entered for shipment, excluding in certain cases only the short shipments reported during the period.

The details of imports and exports as specified above were as follows:—

	For week ending 2nd December 1916. Tons.	For week ending 4th December 1915. Tons.	For week ending 5th December 1914. Tons.
Imports.			
Into Bombay ..	6,819	3,700	1,071
" Karachi ..	21,055	902	6,677
" Calcutta ..	8,403	5,178	3,534
Total ..	36,277	6,780	12,108

	On Government account. Tons.	On private account. Tons.	Total Tons.		
Exports.					
From Bombay ..	..	71	71	6	17
Karachi	39,324	1,823	41,147	49	6,855
Calcutta ..	..	..	..	7	39
Total ..	39,324	1,894	41,218	62	6,902

The imports of wheat by rail, river, and sea from the beginning of April to 2nd December, 1916, were:—

	Tons.
Into Bombay	155,160
" Karachi	641,571
" Calcutta	126,380
Total	923,111

this total showing a increase of 11 per cent. over the total imports (829,745 tons) in the corresponding period of last year.

The exports of wheat by sea to foreign countries from the beginning of April to 2nd December, 1916, were:—

	Tons.
From Bombay	27,869
" Karachi	566,401
" Calcutta	1,295
Total	595,565

The quantities exoprted in the corresponding period of 1915 and 1914 were 639,827 tons and 650,823 tons, respectively.

SUGAR MARKET REPORT.

(From our Correspondent.)

BOMBAY, Dec. 15.

We have to report a very quiet market during the week specially during the latter part of the week on reports of Peace offered by Germany and sentimentally prices were reduced 1s. per cent. and recovered later after finding that there was no likeinood of Peace at present. The s. s. Bahadur arrived with 64,000 Bags Java Sugar and with the tightness in the money market as well as easier reports from Home and Java also continual decline in Karachi has made dealers nervous and prices for ready and forward have been reduced by 1s. per cwt. all round. White Java has changed hands amongst dealers in November-December shipment at 26s. 4d. to 25s. 3d. per cwt. F. B. H. and ready ex. s.s. Bahadur, at 25s. 10d. to 25s. F. B. H. Java market is quiet without any business doing and prices remain unchanged. There is no news from Mauritius.

The following are the Bazar rates and stocks:—

T. M. O. Rs. 20-12-0 equal 25s. 6d. F. B. H. stocks 270,000 bags.

15/18 Rs. 18-12-0 equal 22s. 3d. F. B. H. stocks 60,0000 bags.

Soft Rs. 20-2-0 equal 24s. F. B. H. stocks 35,000 bags.

Arrivals:—

S. S. Bahadur with 64,000 bags Java Sugar.

SHARE MARKET.

(From our Correspondent.)

Dec. 15.

The Cotton Mill shares opened weak but latterly a rise of a few points was recorded. The closing tendency was strong.

Tata Iron and Steel Companies shares ruled firm.

Cement and Manganese Companies shares stood almost steady.

In Mill shares for January delivery Davids stood steady at Rs. 515.

Fazulbhai were placed at prices varying from Rs. 620 to Rs. 627½, Standards from Rs. 1,425 to 1,435, Madhavji's from Rs. 1,470 to Rs. 1,487½ and Central India from Rs. 2,260 to Rs. 2,275.

Swadeshi were placed at Rs. 1,725.

Currimbhai closed at Rs. 325, Crescent at Rs. 202½, Pearls at Rs. 455, Indore Malwas at Rs. 400 and Indian Dying and Bleachings at Rs. 257½.

Bombay Steam Navigation Ordinary Shares were placed at Rs. 290.

Bombay Electric Tram Ordinary Shares were placed in a big lot at Rs. 342½.

Tata Hydro Electric Ordinary Shares were placed between the prices varying from Rs. 1,155 x.d. to Rs. 1,190 x.d.

Tata Iron and Steel ordinary shares were placed between Rs. 320 to Rs. 325. Deferreds stood at Rs. 1,205.

Alcocks and Ashdowns were placed at Rs. 900.

Katni Cement ordinary stood at Rs. 315.

Shivrajpoors were placed at Rs. 52.

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

Business in 3½ per cent. G. P. Notes was done at Rs. 75½.

4 per cent. Port Trust Bonds were quoted at Rs. 96.

RAILWAY TRAFFIC RETURNS.

TAPTI VALLEY RAILWAY.

	Rs.
Statement of traffic for the month ended 30th September 1916	99,739
Decrease on corresponding period of previous year	22,800
Total earnings from 1st April to 30th September 1916	6,94,843
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	37,292

AHMEDABAD PRANTEJ RAILWAY.

Statement of traffic for the month ended 30th September 1916	26,753
Decrease on corresponding period of previous year	4,250
Total earnings from 1st April to 30th September 1916	1,74,139
Decrease on corresponding period of previous year	38,658

AHMEDABAD DHOLKA RAILWAY.

Statement of traffic for the month ended 30th September 1916	8,336
Decrease on corresponding period of previous year	2,286
Total earnings from 1st April to 30th September 1916	58,668
Decrease on corresponding period of previous year	7,671

AMRITSAR PATTI RAILWAY.

Approximate return of traffic for the week ended 25th November 1916	12,600
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	1,116
Total earnings from 1st October to 25th November 1916	1,04,650
Decrease on corresponding period of previous year	4,574

NADIAD KAPADVANJ RAILWAY.

Statement of traffic for the month ended 30th September 1916	10,221
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	457
Total earnings from 1st April to 30th September 1916	71,371
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	3,394

GODHRA LUNAVADA RAILWAY.

Statement of traffic for the month ended 30th September 1916	3,927
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	549
Total earnings from 1st April to 30th September 1916	25,314
Decrease on corresponding period of previous year	546

CHAMPANER SHIVRAJPUR LIGHT RAILWAY.

Statement of traffic for the month ended 30th September 1916	7,061
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	1,122
Total earnings from 1st April to 30th September 1916	45,344
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	15,789

CENTRAL PROVINCES RAILWAYS.

Statement of traffic for the month of September 1916	29,013
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	5,726
Total earnings from 1st April to 30th September 1916	2,53,487
Increase on corresponding period of previous year	1,04,563

SIALKOT NAROWAL RAILWAY.

Approximate return of traffic for the week ended 25th November 1916	2,050
Total earnings from 1st October to 25th November 1916	32,780

MANDRA BHON RAILWAY.

Approximate return of traffic for the week ended 25th November 1916	2,950
Total earnings from 1st October to 25th November 1916	23,330

SILVER MARKET.

MESSRS. SAMUEL MONTAGU'S REPORT.

Messrs. Samuel Montagu and Co., in their circular dated 9th November state:—

GOLD.

The holding of gold by the Bank of England against its note issues shows an increase of £162,290 as compared with last week's return.

The net import of gold into India for month of October 1916 was about £1,216,500.

The following useful summary of gold movements in the United States of America is taken from the "New York Chronicle" issue dated 28th October 1916:—

"The gold movement of the month was, as in August, very largely in one direction—inward—and netted a gain to the United States of $85,713,799. Exports were only $6,849,141 of which $3,905,274 from San Francisco, mainly to Japan, and the remainder largely from New York and in greatest measure to Spain and South America. Of the gold imports for the month, much the greater part came into the country from Canada via Ogdensburg, N. Y., for account of Great Britain. The total arrivals were $92,562,940. Of this aggregate $2,973,404 came in through San Francisco, with Australia the main contributor, and of $11,773,504 received at New York by sea all but a comparatively insignificant amount was from Great Britain. The remaining 78 millions finds explanation almost wholly in the movement across the border, with New York the principal destination of the metal. A realization of the strength of the gold current towards this country since the movement started in January 1915 is afforded by the fact that in the intervening 21 months to the end of September the gross influx has been 742½ million dollars and the efflux only 119 millions, leaving a net inflow of 623½ millions. Furthermore, arrivals since October 1st have increased the balance to over 650 millions. As against this tremendous net import total for 21 months the net arrivals for the preceding 20 years were only 113 million dollars."

SILVER.

The Market has developed considerable strength chiefly as a consequence of firm exchanges from China, where the export season is in full swing.

The possibility of purchases for this quarter was foreshadowed in our circular last week and the effect upon prices has been as expected—very marked.

Chinese pressure was felt in other markets more than in that of London, but prices here responded in quick sympathy and somewhat sensational advances have been recorded.

On the 3rd instant the quotations rose 1/15 to 32 1/2, whilst on the following days rises of 1/4, 3/8, 5/16, 11/16 and 1/8 took place in succession. The strength of the Market recalls that in the early part of May when the advance was no less than 3 15/16d in one week.

The Indian Bazaars contributed to the competition for supplies as well as the more distant East, whilst the demand for coinage continues to be active.

The Indian currency figures below seem to indicate that purchases for the Indian Mint are not keeping pace with its requirements.

The last three Indian Currency Returns received by cable give details in lakhs of Rupees as follow:—

	Oct. 15	Oct. 22	Oct. 31.
Notes in circulation...	7187	7199	7330
Reserve in Silver Coin and Bullion	2623	2599	2563
Gold Coin and Bullion	1066	1102	1255
Gold in England ..	1192	1192	1192

The stock in Bombay consists of 3,900 bars as compared with 4,000 bars last week.

The stock in Shanghai on 4th November 1916 consisted of about 23,000,000 ounces in Sycee and 16,500,000 Dollars as compared with about 23,000,000 ounce sin Sycee and 16,400,000 dollars on 28th October 1916.

The following shipments were made from San Francisco during the week:—

100,000 ounces to Calcutta.

550,000 ounces to Shanghai.

Quotations for bar silver per oz. std.:—

November 3, 32 1/2 cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 4, 32 3/4 cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 6, 33 1/8 cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 7, 33 7/16 cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 8, 34 1/8 cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

November 9, 34 1/4 cash. No quotation fixed for forward delivery.

Bank Rate, 6 per cent.

Bar Gold p. oz. std. 77/9.

Average for the week 33.364.

The quotation to-day for cash delivery is 1 13/16 above that fixed a week ago.

PAPER CURRENCY RESERVE.

ANOTHER INCREASE OF 12 CRORES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Dec. 14.

In November last the Government of India issued an Ordinance authorising a temporary increase of Rs. 12 crores in the Paper Currency Reserve investment. The circumstances which necessitated that measure were fully explained at the time in brief. However, the position was that owing to the heavy expenditure which the Government of India are incurring in this country on behalf of the Home Government, their ordinary resources though supplemented by large purchases of silver, were not able to provide for the Secretary of State's drawings up to the full extent of the requirements of trade. It was hoped that the additional powers taken in November together with the further assistance which may be expected from treasury balances later on in the year, would be sufficient to cover the sales of Council Bills during the remainder of the busy season. These have, however, continued on an unprecedented scale and as means for meeting them are again almost exhausted, further special measures have become necessary.

The Government of India have therefore arranged in order to enable them to continue to meet the demands of trade as far as possible to supplement their present powers by a further Ordinance which they are now issuing. This permits an additional investment of the Paper Currency Reserve up to the extent of a maximum of Rs. 12 crores or 8 millions, the security in which the investment may be made being limited as on the previous occasion to Treasury Bills to be held by the Secretary of State. The present ordinance as such will have effect for six months only but its duration will in all probability be prolonged by legislation during the coming session of the Imperial Legislative Council so as to give to the change now made the same currency, as the previous temporary paper currency legislation enacted during the year, that is to say, for the period of the war and for six months thereafter.

STOCKS AND DELIVERIES.

Stocks and Deliveries of Cotton, Silk and Woollen Piece-goods and Yarns, also of Copper and Yellow Metal Sheets (including deliveries from Dock-sheds to Railway-sidings.)

Description.		A Stock on 31st Oct. 1916.	B Imports during Nov. 1916.	C Stock on 30th Nov. 1916.	D Approximate total deliveries during Nov. 1916.	E Increase or Decrease of Stock as compared with previous month.	F Actual deliveries from Port Trust & Importers' Godowns.	Corresponding Stocks on 30th Nov. 1915.	1914.	1913.	1912.	1911.
Cotton Piece-goods ..	Bales.	31,387	11,203	21,823	17,965	—1,762	16,921	46,824	63,003	42,178	26,710	19,750
Cotton Piece-goods ..	Cases.	30,993	15,500	29,789	17,204	—1,704	11,511	48,317	104478	68,194	36,259	40,570
Silk and Woollen Piece goods	Bales.	314	647	422	541	+106	51	518	1,172	911	696	904
Silk and Woollen Piece goods	Cases.	947	2,869	1,055	2,761	+1?8	193	1,200	2,380	3,057	2,494	2,344
Cotton Twist and Yarns ..	Packages.	7,180	3,666	6,967	3,879	—213	3,031	7,740	11,038	7,675	8,820	8,233
Silk and Woollen Twist and Yarns	Packages.	2,670	695	3,446	—	+776	660	2,954	1,375	2,662	2,474	1,755
Copper—Braziers	Tons.	2,341	10	2,199	152	—142	141	3,3 3	4.48	1,969	1,106	3,109
Yellow Metal—Braziers	Tons.	726	46	654	108	—62	69	1,765	3.466	1,744	1.403	3,099

N. B.—Approximate Total Deliveries (Column D) are arrived at by adding Column A and Column B and deducting therefrom (Column C). It should be noted however that the figures in Column B are obtained from the Bills of Entry and that the goods which they represent may not have been actually received in the Docks during the month named. The Total Delivery Figures therefore, while working out correctly in the long run, can only be considered as approximate in regard to their particular month.

BANKS.

Names and Amount paid up.	Face value.	Div. Paid.	Last Div % p.a.	Quotations sent to buyers.
INDIAN BANKS.	Rs.			Rs.
Allahabad Bank ..	10	Jan.-July	18%	305
Alliance Bk., of Simla, Ltd.	100	Jan.-Aug.	14%	336
Bank of Baroda Rs. 50 ..	100	Feb.-July.	9%	72
Bank of Bombay ..	500	..	15%	15,60
Bank of Bengal ..	500	Jan.-July .	16%	1,640
Bank of India Rs.50	100	Feb.-July	7%	83½
Bank of Madras ..	500	do.	12%	1,275
Central Bk. of India Rs. 35	50	..	5%	28
Central Co-op., Bk., Rs. 35	50	..	0%	32
Standard Bk. [O 50 / P 50	100	Jan.-July	Nil	6
	100	do.	Nil.	22
EXCHANGE BANKS.	£			
Chartered Bank ..	20	Oct.-April	15%	£62½
Eastern Bank Ltd£4	£10	March	5%	26
Mercantile Bank .. £ 12½ A ..	25	..	10%	£23
12½ B ..	25	..	10%	£22
Hongkong and Shanghai Bk. Corporation	$ 125	Feb.-Aug.	33%	280
National Bank of India $12½ ..	£25	Sept.-Mar.	16%	600

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

			Last half Year Div.	
Ahmedabad Advance	500	May.	40	980
Bhimani Cotton Mill	100		3	90
Bo. Cotton Manfg...	500	Nil.	..	290
Bo. Dyeing and Mfg. Company ..	250	..	25	900
Bombay United ..	250	..	30	840
Century	100	May-Nov.	1	315
Central India O ..	500	May-Nov.	90	2,265
Central India P ..	500	Mar.-Sept.	5%	437½ X.D.
Ohina	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	30	360
Colaba Land& Mill ..	700	..	55	1,340
Coorla	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	Yr. 50	420
Crescent	100	April.	8	202½
Carrimbhoy ..	250	Mar.-Sept.	15	322½
David	250	do.	15	316
Edward Sassoon ..	200	May-Nov.	10	200
Emperor Edward ..	500	..	25	600
Fazulbhoy	250	Mar.-Sept.	25	625
Framji Petit ..	1,000	May.	40	1,310
Finlay Mills ..	250	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	265
Gold Mohur ..	500	..	15	460
Globe	100	..	Nil.	80 nom.
Hindustan	1,000	..	50	600
Hydarabad ..	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	50	1,500
Indian Dyeing and Bleaching ..	100	do.	12½	257½
Indian Manufg. ..	1,000	..	20	325
Indo-China Mfg., ..	1,000	Mar.-Sept.	60	800
Indore Malwa ..	100	Apl.-Oct.	15	405
Jamshed Manufg. ..	250	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	60
Jewraj Baloo ..	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	395
Kasturchand ..	1,000	do.	25	1,020
Khandesh	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	35	1,025
Khatao	1,000	June-Dec.	45	1,800
Kohinoor	500	May-Nov.	15	720
Lakshmi Cotton ..	1,000	Mar.-Aug.	100	1,350
MadhowjiDharamsi ..	500	April	55	1,485
Mauras United ..	1,000	June-Dec.	50	1,700
Manockjee Petit ..	1,000	do.	50	1,600
Meyer Sassoon ..	100	Mar.-Sept.	Nil.	85
Morarjee Goculdas ..	1,000	..	80	2,000
Nawab of Cambay ..	500	Apl.-Oct...	20	530 nom.
New Great Eastern ..	200	..	4	185
New City of Bombay ..	500	Apl.-Oct.	25	960
Pearl	250	..	15	450
Phoenix	100	Mar.-Sept.	8	205
Presidency	1,000	Jan.-July .	Nil.	187½
Sassoon Cotton ..	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	575
Sasson Silk	500	April	Nil.	270
Shahapore	1,000	do.	150	5,400
Shri shapuri Broacha Mills	Rs. 56	..	Nil.	60
Simplex	250	June.-Dec.	15	610
Standard Mills ..	500	Nov.	40	1,435
Sun	125	May-Nov.	5	76
Swan	250	Oct.	7½	275
Swadeshi	500	Mar.-Oct	60	1,730
Tata Mill .. [O. / P.	500	400	..	350
	500	400	5%	380
Textile	500	May-Oct.	40	1,525
Union Mill	1,000	Apl.-Oct.	Nil.	200
Vishnu Cotton [O. / P.	500	..	Nil.	400
	500	..	7%	635
Western India ..	1,000	..	25	375 X. D.
Mysore Spinning ..	250	Sept.	8%	300

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

Ahmedabad Dholka Railway	100	Mar.-Aug.	5½%	119
Amritsar Patti Rly..	100	do.	8%	138
Ahmedabad Prantij Railway	500	do.	8%	630
Ahmedabad Prantij Debenture ..	500	do.	4½%	Par
*Central Provinces Railway	100	Jan.-July	5%	106
*Dh'and—Baramati Railway	100	do.	4½%	96
Guzerat Railway ..	100	Nov.-June	4%	98
Hoshiarpur Doab Ry. Rs. 100 ..	100	Apl.-Oct.	4%	116
Bhandra Bhon Rly. Rs. 90	100	do.	4%	88
Pachora Jamur Rly. Rs. 75	100	Jan.-July.	4%	65
Sara Sirajganj Ry. Rs. 100 ..	100	Jan.-July	4%	98 C-D
Sialkot Narowal Ry Rs. 75	100	Jan.-July.	4%	112
*Sind Light Rly. ..	100	Mar.-Aug.	7%	145
Tapti Valley Rly. ..	500	Mar.-Aug.	6%	570
Upper Sind Light Rly. Rs. 100 ..	100	Jan.-July	5%	106

PRESS COMPANIES.

	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Akbar	750	May.	250	5600
Albert Kurrachee ..	1,000	Nov.	45	850
Breul's Cawnpore ..	200	Aug.	Nil.	95
Bellary Press ..	275	..	15	100
Broach City ..	200	Oct.	8	120
Fox	475	Nov.	20	800
Godavery Valley ..	100	..	12	100
Harvey and Sabapat	500	July	40	620
Hindustan P. & M...	250	..	..	125
Hingolee	100	Sept.	Nil.	70
Indian Cotton ..	125	Oct. ..	6½	125
Jumna Sing & P. Co Ltd. ..	1,000	..	7%	700
Khamgaum	400	Sept.	Nil.	335
Mahmudpura Ctn. ..	125	..	7½	100
Mahuva	200	Oct.	Nil.	125
Mercantile	125	do.	Nil.	20
Manmar Mfg.. ..	250	Aug.	15	245
New East Indian ..	1,000	Sept.	40	1,000
New Mofussil Co.. ..	400	Nov.	50	850
New Berar	600	Oct.	25	475
New Prince of Wales	500	do.	40	655
Sind	400	Nov.	Nil.	255
Surat City	200	Oct.	18	235
Volkart U.P.Co.,Ltd.	500	Sept.	20	122
Vordwan, G.P. ..	150	..	..	101

MISCELLANEOUS COMPANIES.

Alcock Ashdown Co..	100	Oct.-May	50	900
All-India U. Co. Rs20	100	August.	Rs. 1	4
Bamankua	5	..	Rs. 2	5
Back Bay Bath ..	50	..	6	50
Badhani Pile ..	70	June ..	8 X-D	95
Baroda Tram Co.,	100	..	Nil.	45
Brick and Tile ..	50	..	..	100
Bri. Burma Pat ..	500	Nil.	Nil.	51
Bo. Burma T. Corporation	125	Jan.-Aug.	15H.T.	1,075
B. Electric Sup. and T. Co. Ltd.	P £10 / O £10	Feb.-Aug. July.	6% 7%	157 342½
Bombay ice. Mfg.. .	40		Rs. 2	20
Bombay Flour Mill	500	Mar.-Oct..	100	1,530
Bo. Land& Building	400	..	25	380
Bombay Steam Navigation Co.	O 250 / P 250	Mar.-Sept. Feb.-Oct..	12½ 6%	290 240
Bundi Cement Co.. .	10	New Co.. .	Nil.	34½
Central I.M.Co. Ltd	10	April	2	52
City of Bo. Bldg. Co.	500	Dec.-Jan..	25	330
Delhi Flour	300	Sept.	5	120
Empire of Life Rs.50	900		42%	375
The Eastern Chemical Co.	O £1 / D 2sh.	Nil. Nil.	Nil. Nil.	18 35
Indian Cement Co. Rs. 250	250	..	Nil.	410
Katni Cement	O 100 / D 40 / P 100	.. .. ..	Rs. 3 Nil. 7%	315 1,100 115
Ind. Mercantile In. Co., Ltd. Rs. 20..	100	Dec.	6

BOMBAY CITY AND SUBURBS.

TO-DAY.

Parsi: 7th of Tir, 1286.
Hindu: 7th of Margashirsh (Vad) 1973.
Mahomedan: 19th of Safar, 1335.
Sunrise: 7h. 4m. 8h. 4m.
Phases of the Moon: New Moon, 25th Dec.

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS.

Races at Mahaluxmi: First race to start at 2-45 p.m.
Elphinstone College Annual Athletic Sports, Oval, 3 p.m.
Public lecture on "Home Rule and National Education," by Mr. G. S. Arundale, Bhangwadi Theatre, Kalbadevi Road 6 p.m.
Bombay Presidency Women Graduates Union: A lecture will be given by Miss A. E. M. Moinet (Somerville, Oxford) on Women and the War at 5-30 p.m., (S.T.), at the University Convocation Hall.

SUNDAY, Dec. 17.

Excelsior Theatre: The "Scamps" opening at 9-30 p.m.
Public lecture on "Home Rule and National Education," by Mr. G. S. Arundale, Bhangwadi Theatre, Kalbadevi Road, 9-30 p.m.

MONDAY, Dec. 18.

Mails for Australia per s. s. Salsette, will be closed at the General Post Office, at 8-30 a.m.
The English Mail per s.s. Malwa will be closed at the General Post Office at 3 p.m., Registered letters will be accepted up to 1 p.m., and parcels up to 12 noon. Postings at the Town Sub-Offices will be regulated so as to reach the General Post Office before the above mentioned hours.
K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, opening ceremony by T. E. the Governor and Lady Willingdon at 5-15 p.m. (S.T.).

WEDNESDAY, Dec. 20.

Mails for Ceylon, the Straits Settlements, China and Japan per s.s. Nyanza will be closed at the General Post Office at 8-30 a.m. Parcel mail for China closes at 6-30 p.m. on the 19th instant.

DAILY.

Excelsior Theatre: Official War Films: "The Battle of the Somme" 6-30 and 9-45 p.m.
Royal Opera House, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
Palace of Varieties: at 6-30 and 10 p.m. every Wednesday, Saturday and Monday, 10 p.m., Show every Sunday at 6-30 at Edwardes.
New Alexandra Cinema, Lohar Chawl.
Princess Street.
Olympia Cinema, Sandhurst Road.
West End Cinema, Charni Road: 6-45, 8-30 and 10.
New Alhambra Cinema, Sandhurst Road, 7, 8-45 and 10-30.

1ST TROOP BOMBAY BADEN POWELL BOY SCOUTS.

Orders for the week ending December 23rd:—
Wednesday December 20.—Plain clothes parade on Maidan at 5-30. Troop Drill, P/L's and seconds instruction and Physical Drill.
Saturday December 2rd.—Uniform parade on Maidan at 5 p.m. Details issued later.
Badges.—Will those who require badges of any description, please notify A. S. M.
Orderlies.—Actg. P/L. Nissen, Actg. P/L. Wilkinson.

A. G. FOOX.
A. S. M. in charge.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Dec. 16.

458.—Battalion Duties:—Orderly Sergeants will be furnished by "E" Company during week ending December, 16th. Next for duty "F" Coy. No duties will be furnished during weeks ending December 30th and January 6th.
459.—Company Field Training:—
Detil—Sunday December 17th "C" "D" Coys.
Companies will parade at Boribunder Station at 6 a.m. on the above dates and will return to Bombay before 5 p.m. Havresack rations and water bottles to be carried. Dress at option of Officers Commanding Coys.
460.—Musketry:—The Range at Ghat Kopar as allotted for Class firing as flolows—
December 18th, to December 24th, "J" Coy.
461.—Miniature Range:—The Miniature Range is allotted in accordance with schedule of training issued to Officers Commanding Coys.
463.—Signalling:—The Signalling Class will parade at 6-15 p.m. at Headquarters on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

(Sd.) C. N. MOBERLY, Major.
Adjutant Bombay Vol. Rifles.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

Dec. 15.

No. 400—Duties.
Duties for the week commencing Sunday, 17th instant:—
Orderly Officer for the ensuing week, Lieut. W. Dunkerley.
Orderly Officer next for duty, Lieut. W. N. Cartland.
Orderly Sergeant No. 1 Company, Sergeant W. A. Niven.
Orderly Sergeant No. 2 Company Sergeant W. H. Stubbs.
Orderly Sergeant E. E. Company, Sergeant S. W. Walton.
No. 401—Parades.
Sunday, 17th, at 7-30 a.m. at Ghat Kopar. Rifle shoot. Ranges 600, 800 and 1,000 yards.
Monday, 18th, at 7 a.m. at Headquarters, Nos. 1, 2 and E. E. Companies Rifle Exercise.
Monday, 18th, at 6-15 p.m. at Apollo Bunder, E. E. Company for defence light manning.
Monday, 18th, at 7 p.m. at Headquarters, Signalling Class.
Tuesday, 19th, at 7 a.m. at Headquarters. 15-pdr. B. L. Section Gun Drill for Nos. 1 and 2 Companies.
Tuesday, 19th, at 7 p.m. at Headquarters, Fuze Setting and Signalling Class.
Wednesday, 20th, at 6-30 a.m. at Apollo Bunder, Nos. 1 and 2 Companies will parade for fort manning at Middle Ground.
Thursday, 21st, at 7 a.m. at Colaba, D.R.F. Class.
Thursday, 21st, at 7 p.m. at Headquarters, Signalling Class.
Friday, 22nd, at 7 a.m. at Headquarters. 15-pdr. B. L. Section gun drill for Nos. 1, and 2 Companies.
Friday, 22nd, at 6-45 p.m. at Headquarters, Nos. 1, 2 and E. E Companies Rifle Exercise.
Saturday, 23rd, at 7 a.m. at Colaba, D.R.F. Class.
No. 402—Leave.
No. 1542, Gunner A. H. Peel, No. 2 Company, B. V. A., has been granted leave of absence from 22-12-16 to 3-1-17 both dates inclusive.
No. 1599, Gunner J. P. Ottley, No. 2 Company, B. V. A., has been granted leave of absence from 23-12-16 to 20-1-17 both dates inclusive.
No. 403—Enrolments.
The following having been enrolled are taken on the strength of the Corps and posted as follows:—
No. 1798, Gunner I. Galloway, to "C" Sub-Section No. 2 Company, from 8-12-16.
No. 1799, Gunner A. S. Oakley, to "A" Sub-Section No. 1 Company, from 11-12-16.

(Sd.) P. H. RETALLACK, Capt.,
Adjutant, Bombay Volunteer Artillery.

COMPETITIONS.
Hamilton Shield.

Squads:—Ten N. C. Os. and men and a Sergeant or junior N. C. O. from Half Companies.
Competitions:—
Turn Out, Points: Maximum 10.
Formation of fours, also with ranks reversed, Points: Maximum 20.
Changing direction, forming to the right and left, Points: Maximum 20.
Forming on the right and left from file, Points: Maximum 20.
Manuel Exercise, Points: Maximum 20.
Guard Mounting, Relieving Guard and posting of 2 sentries, Points: Maximum 50.
The Guard Mounting is to be restricted to an N. C. O. and 3 men selected from the Competing Squad.
Prizes:—1st (Silver medals with gold centres to each man of winning Squad) given if 4 complete Squads compete.
2nd (Silver medals) given if more than 4 complete Squads compete.
Note:—The competition will probably take place between 15th and 31st March, 1917.

POONA VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

Corps orders by Lieut.-Col. G. K. Walker, C.I.E., Commanding Poona, Vol. Rifles.

Poona, Friday 12.

1155 Drill and Instruction.—Parades for the week ending 16th December, 1916:—
At Headquarters—
"B" Company, Friday at 5-30 p.m. Drill order.
Buglers, Friday and Saturday at 5-30 p.m.
"B" Company Scouts, Saturday at 7 a.m.
At Satara—
Machine Gun parade, Saturday at 5 p.m.
1156 Musketry.—The Rifle range will be open for class firing at 7-30 a.m. daily except Thursday and Sundays until further orders. Members wishing to fire should send in their names to the Headquarter Office two days beforehand.
1157 Miniature range.—Friday. Miniature Rifle Club at 7-30 a.m. and 5 p.m.
1158 Camp of Exercise.—It is notified for information that the Annual Camp of Exercise will be held at Ganeshkhind from 13th to 23rd January, 1917, both days inclusive.
Members who require uniform, boots, etc., should apply to Headquarters at once, as no issue will be made in Camp.

(Sd.) A. R. KEARSEY, Second.-Lt.,
Adjutant Poona Vol. Rifles.

BAND AT THE VICTORIA GARDENS.

By kind permission of the Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., B. B. & C. I. Railway, Vols., will play the following Programme under the direction of Mr. W. S. Walcott at Victoria Garden, this evening, commencing at 5-45 p.m. (with admission fee):—

March	Paris	Mazzacapo.
Dance Caracteristique,	Lubly Lulu	Fletcher.
Valse	Destiny	Baynes.
Selection	...Les Contes D'Hoffmann,	Offenbach
Intermezzo	Stepping Stones	... Reeves.
Selection	Joy-Land	Darewski.
Two-Step	Moonstruck	Monckton.

W. S. WALCOTT,
Band Master.

BAND AT THE BOMBAY RACES.

By kind permission of Colonel J. W. Bonner, V. D., and Officers, the Band of the 1st Battn., G. I. P. Railway, Volunteers, will play this afternoon a programme of music, under the direction of Mr. Hugh B. Mitchell, Band Master, commencing at 2-30 p.m.

YOUNG THEISTS' UNION.

Mr. D. V. Shrikhande will deliver a lecture on "The Idea of God," this evening, at 8-30 a.m., in the Ram Mohan Ashram (Prarthana Samaj), Girgaon.

ENGLISH MAILS.

The P. and O. Company's s. s. Nagoya with the outward mails of the 24th ultimo, is expected to arrive in Bombay at 4 a.m. on Wednesday.

JAIN STUDENES' ASSOCIATION.

Under the auspices of the Jain Students' Association, Mr. Mohanlal L. Shah will deliver a lecture to-morrow, at 3-0 p.m. (S.T.) in the Association hall on "Fiction."

CHITRAPUR C. CLUB.

The fourth annual general meeting of the above Club will be held at 8-30 a.m., tomorrow, at the Kanara Saraswat Association Hall, Saraswat Co-operative Buildings, Gamdevi, Bombay.

ARYA SAMAJ.

A public meeting will be held at the Arya Samaj Hall, Kakadwadi, Girgaon, Bombay, to-morrow, at 6 p.m. (B. T.), when Swamy Omkar Sachidanandji will deliver a lecture on "Rights of Women."

ISRAELITE BROTHERHOGD.

The annual general meeting of the members of the Israelite Brotherhood will be held at the Israelite School room, to-morrow, at 4 p.m. (S. T.), for electing a Managing Committee for the year 1917.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' BROTHERHOOD.

The Junior Sunday Class of the Bombay Students' Brotherhood will meet to-morrow, at the Headquarters, at 9 a.m. (S. T.), when Mr. K. J. Dubash, will expound "Goldsmith's Traveller."

MAILS FOR MESOPOTAMIA EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

Mails for the Mesopotamia Expeditionary Force, Mohomerah and Busra will be closed at the Bombay General Post Office at 10 a.m. to-day, and also at 11 a.m. on Monday, the 18th instant.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION.

Under the auspices of the above Union, Mr. N. B. Vibhakar, will deliver a lecture on "Indian Citizenship" to-morrow at 6-30 p.m. in the Union Hall, Chawpati (near Wilson College), when Mr. B. G. Horniman will preside. The lecture is open to the public.
Mr. Mohamed Yousuf Nazim will deliver a lecture on "Some Common Errors of the Bombay Urdu" to-morrow at 10-30 in the Union Hall, Chowpati, (near Wilson College). Dr. Abul Razak Nakhshandi will preside. The lecture is open to the public.

BENEFIT ENTERTAINMENT AT BANDRA.

The young men of Marol will stage at Karai's Theatre, behind the Court Bandra, to-morrow, at 6 p.m., "The Malediction." Half the proceeds will be given away in aid of the War Relief Fund.

JUNAGADH INDUSTRIAL AND AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.

A meeting of citizens of the Junagadh State residing in Bombay will be held to-morrow at 3 p.m. (B. T.), at the residence of Seth Devkaran Mulji, Princess Street, Govind Building, to consider what steps should be taken to co-operate with the Junagadh State authorities in making the coming Junagadh Agricultural and Industrial Exhibition a success.

A CHARITY SERMON.

The Rev. Alban Goodier, S. J., will preach a Charity Sermon in the Church of Our Lady of the Rosary, Mazagaon, to-morrow, at 6 p.m. Owing to urgent financial demands made on the funds of the St. Vincent de Paul's Society, Matharpacady Conference, and the St. Isabel's (Ladies) Charitable Association, Mazagon Circle, the Rev. Father Goodier has very kindly consented to preach so that a collection can be made after the Sermon in aid of the Charities. The public are cordially invited. The St. Cecilia's Society attached to the Rosary Church will execute special music on the occasion.

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS 1917.

The following holidays are sanctioned by Government under the Negotiable Instruments' Act, 1881, including the New Year's Day (1st January), Good Friday (6th April), and Christmas Day (25th December), which are already specified as holidays under the above section:—
New Year, 1st January.
Maha Shivratri, 20th February.
Holi, 8th March.
Jamshedi Naoroz, 21st March.
Ramnavami, 31st March.
Good Friday, 6th April.
Easter Saturday and Monday, 7th and 9th April.
Birthday of his Majesty the King-Emperor, such day as may be fixed by the Governer-General in Council.
Zarthost-no-Diso, 18th June.
Ramzan Id, 21st July.
Cocoanut Day, 2nd August.
Gokal-Ashtami, 9th August.
Parsi New Year, 10th and 11th September.
Ganesh-Chaturthi and Samvatsari (Jain), 20th September.
Bakri Id, 27th September.
Dussera, 25th October
Mohurrum, 27th October.
Divali, 13th, 14th and 15th November.
Christmas, 24th, 25th and 26th December.
Bara Wafat, 28th December.
New Year's Eve, 31st December.

FIGHT BETWEEN WARDERS AND PRISONERS.

THREE CONVICTS KILLED AT PATIALA.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LAHORE, Dec. 14.

An exciting story of a fight between warders and prisoners in a jail, writes the "Civil and Military Gazette," reaches us from Patiala. On the evening of December 5th while Head Warder Bhagwandas and Warder Sheo Ratan were locking up prisoners in the Central Jail at Patiala they were suddenly attacked by five prisoners, named respectively Ghania Singh, a returned emigrant, Partapa, a sweeper under life sentence, Chhotoo, Mal Singh, and Dalip Singh, dacoits. These five men pounced upon the two warders, strangled the head warder and very nearly did the other warder to death in the same way. Sheo Ratan's cries, however, were heard by some of the convict watchmen, and one Mastoo, a prisoner who used to be locked up in a cell near Dalip Singh, ran and shouted for help. Information reached the gate of the jail and an alarm was sounded and some eight convict watchmen ran to the scene. The three first named convicts were then trying to scale the back wall of the jail by getting one on the top of another. Ghania Singh was on the ground and Partapa with the head warder's turban had reached the wall, but had not been able to climb on the top. As soon as they saw the guard all five men began an attack throwing bricks at the advancing watchmen. They then rushed forward armed with the bamboo staves of the two warders and with the leg irons of Partapa and Chhotoo which they had managed to slip off their ankles. A fight ensued and eight of the convict warders were slightly wounded, while Chania Singh and Chhotoo succumbed to their injuries on the spot and Partapa died during the night from wounds on the head. Mall Singh and Dalip Singh seeing the game was up, ran to their cells. Both had received slight injuries.

All five men were desperate characters well-known to the police. Chhotoo was a dacoit extradited to Patiala from Ambala District. Mal Singh and Dalip Singh are awaiting trial for alleged participation in dacoities with murder in Patiala and Ferozepore District. Chania Singh was well-known as a desperate character. On one occasion when being conveyed by train in custody he jumped from the running train and escaped, went to his village procured a pistol and shot two or three men whom he met in the street. When rearrested he escaped from the lock-up at Barnala and he was finally arrested at Ferozepore.

At the election for non-Moslems in the fourh ward of the Allahabad Municipality caused by Hindu resignations Messrs. Upadhyaya and Joshi whose nominations were originally rejected but subseqently held to be valid by the Collector, were returned by a large majority. They are known to be opposed to the Jehangirabad clauses and will resign almost immediately.

One Ajodhya Prasad, a student of the Intermediate Class in the Robertson Government College, Jubbulpore, has been arrested by the Jubbulpore police on suspicion of his complicity in the Benares conspiracy case. Among his papers and books seized a manuscript poem, said to be of a seditious character, has been found.

BOMBAY AMUSEMENTS.

GREAT EXCELSIOR ATTRACTION.

VISIT OF ADA REEVE.

The public will learn with real pleasure that Miss Ada Reeve and Her London Company will appear at the Excelsior Theatre at Christmas time, and the management announce that Ada Reeve's entertainment will be absolutely the greatest and most costly ever submitted to Eastern audiences and this one can easily believe seeing the time we have had to wait for the famous Comedienne, an instance showing how dependant are impresarios and the public upon great artistes and not great artistes upon them.

Miss Reeve commenced a tour of the world in 1910 and expected to reach India and the Far East in 1912, but so unprecedented was the success acheived in the early part of the tour that the visit to India was repeatedly postponed and instead of a single tour, Miss Reeve thrice toured the United States, thrice South Africa, thrice Great Britain and Ireland and lasly Australia. It is difficult to place Reeve in any given category of the vaudeville world. She has often been styled "the greatest comedienne in the world," which is probably true but she is more than that: she is an actress of subtle discrimination and power. The chief charm of her performance lies in the extraordinary versatility in its composition. As a comedienne she is heady, light and natural, but it is an open quetion whether she does not deserve more commendation from an artistic standpoint for her sympathetic touch and clear sighted histrionic conception of some of her heavier offerings. Another startling revelation of her versatility is the manner in which she suddenly produces the atmosphere of low comedy. She shows herself possessed of the keenest sense of comedy values, making it possible to give the utmost point and enunciance to a line at the same time changing with great rapidity into the most flexible emotional moods which she presents with remarkable exactitude and naturalness. Her work is clever and artistic. Miss Reeve brings with her a first class company which is needed for a copious repertoire including comedy, musical comedy, comedy drama, burlesque revue and high class Vaudeville drama from the works of the following:—
J. M. Barrie, Henri Meilnac, Malcolm Watson, Moncton Hoffe, Lawrence Hanray, Colonel Philip Trevor H. V. Esmond, Alfred Calmour, T. H. Read and Ronald Jeans.
A little Barrie up to date—a little Barrie at all—will be an uncommon treat for India. There is nothing beter than good English pantomine at Christmas time, but failing that a little of the genius that made Peter Pan is the next best thing and in Ada Aeeve's hands it will be a very good thing.

THE ALEXANDRA CINEMA.

"NOT GUILTY."

One of the foremost objects of the kinemaograph is undoubtedly that of "holding the mirror up to nature" and producing pictures of natural life and incidents. In this way the picture fulfils a distinct, and useful mission and no amount of adverse criticism can harm it or hinder its usefulness. These thoughts will be forcibly brought to one's mind after witnessing the latest Apex production "Not Guilty" at the New Alexanra this evening. It is distincly an object lesson of the dangers of relying upon circumstancial evidence. It is the story of a falsely-accused man who has to undergo all the horror of a long imprisonement, the loss of wife and home, and the very tortures of hell for a crime he never committed. The story is clean and wholesome in every respect. The acting is excellent all round, the most notable characters being the much abused Edward Andrews and his mother. The former part is played by Mr. Cyril Scott, a sympathetic actor, whose good work has been seen before in many productions. In the early scenes, during his courtship, at his marriage, in the precincts of his happy home, and amidst all the joys of a laborious and happy life, he is buoyant and full of heartiness. Then the bolt from the blue overtakes him. He is falsely accused of a foul crime, and hough protesting his innocence is sentenced to a long term of imprisonement, which he works out with an amount of fortitude only rendered possible by his knowledge of his innocence. "Not Guilty" is a film masterpiece in every sense of the word. It contains a story hardly equalled for its human appeal, and is a perfect vindication of the supreme capacity of the film drama to interpret all that is finest and best in life.

ROYAL OPERA HOUSE.

Another splandid programme of pictures will be shown to-night at the Royal Opera House, and, as has been observed during the last few weeks, the comic element is very strong, being represented by two really laughable films.
The star drama is called "The Silent Battle" and is quite unique in plot and production. A young man has a craving for strong drink, and he seeks the wilds of Canada in order to overcome it. Unfortunately temptation is put in his way at the very moment that he falls in love. For him, then, the path of true love runs very crookedly and he meets with many adventures before he can find happiness. The leading part is taken by Mr. J. Warren Kerrigan, who made himself so popular with Royal Opera House audiences in "The Adventures of Terence O'Rourke" Miss Lois Wilson also has a large role which she fills to perfection.
The orchestra will once more add to the enjoyment of the entertainment with many well-selected pieces of music.

OLYMPIA.

"THE IRON CLAW."

If there was ever a serial photoplay that caught the public fancy and week after week justified its claims it is undoubtedly the "Iron Claw" now being shown at this Theatre. This week, the seventh instalment of this Great serial will open the Thirteenth and fourteenth episodes which will further deepen the mystery. The notable feature is that every episode opens with a prologue, which enables one to follow the serial from any episode and those of our readers who have not so far watched this master serial had better grasp the chance now. There are still left eight episodes conspicuous for their throbbing situations and masterly acting which will not fail to make deep impression upon all who see them. The other pictures shown weekly have their educative value while the 'comics' always produce a good energising laughter.

THE "ANGLO-AMERICAN."

A NEW CINEMA.

Near the junction of the Sandhurst and Falkland Roads, a New Cinema with resplendent lights has come into being upon an old site. The "Anglo-American" for, that is its name, evolved as it is out of successive Cinema ventures made on the same site and pioneered by four of Bombay's Cinema Veterans, bids fair to take a place among the front rank amusements in the City. As the name would suggest, this Cinema is designed for exhibiting British and American feature productions essentially, and all Cinema lovers who have already their own favourite House, will do well to now and again pay a visit to this little but enterprising Cinema and benefit by the change derivable thereby. This week's Star is "Modern Mephisto" in six reels.

WEST END CINEMA.

That exciting serial film, "The Diamond from the Sky," has only a few weeks more to run, and the new chapter which is to be shown to-night at the West End Cinema is fully as attractive and sensational as any which have preceded it. The attendances throughout have been very large, and so absorbing is the picture that they are certain to be maintained until its conclusion. A visit this week-end will prove of great enjoyment to any who have not previously been to this well-appointed picture house.

RACING AT MAHALAXMI.

ENTRIES FOR SECOND EXTRA MEETING

Saturday, 23rd December, 1916.

THE X'MAS PLATE.—Distance 1 Mile.
Mr. Heath's ch e h Orloff, 5 years.
Mr. Hasting's b e g Thunder, 4 years.
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch e g Bunty, 5 years.
Mr. Pitt's bl e h Triple Alliance, 6 years.
Mr. M. Goculdass' br e m Pretty Good Sort, aged.
Mr. D. Pallonjee's b e g Decorum, 3 years.
H. H. Maharaja of Gwalior's b e h Philanthropist, 5 years.
Mr. A. Hope's b e g Kim III, 4 years.

THE CHESTER PLATE.—Distance 5 Furlongs (straight).
Mr. J. Stewart's b e g Anthracite, 3 years.
Messrs. Heath and Stewart's bl e m Corridor, 6 years.
Messrs. Heath and Stewart's b e m Tootsie, 3 years.
Mr. T. Gordhandas' b e m Madrina, aged.
Messrs. A. S. Oomer and Tarrant's ch e g Royal Song, 3 years.
Mr. Frank's b e g Romanesque, 4 years.
Mr. R. R. S.'s ch e g Bunty, 5 years.
Mr. R. R. S.'s b e g Waynflete, 3 years.
Mr. S. A. Wahed's b e h Dorian, 4 years.
Mr. J. L. Ainsworth's b e m Margreen, 4 years.
Mr. Downes' br e h Billy Rawn, 4 years.
Messrs. F. M. Garda and M. Goculdass' b e h Fire Finch, 6 years.
Messrs. F. M. Garda and M. Goculdass' b e m Lumination, aged.
Mr. D. Palloniee's b e g Hoppner, aged.
H. H. Maharaja of Gwalior's ch e m Dress, 3 years.
H. H. Maharaja of Gwalior's b aus m Lola, aged.
General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's br e m Somali, 3 years.

THE STOCKTON PLATE.—Distance about 6 Furlongs.
Mr. J. Stewart's ch e m Chastity, 6 years.
Mr. J. K. Irani's b e g King's Head, 5 years.
Messrs. A. S. Oomer and Tarrant's br e h Duet (late Double Thrush II), 2 years.
Mr. Frank's b e m Matchless, 3 years.
Mr. R. H. Gahagan's ch e m Pension, aged.
Mr. Kelso's b e h Wise Thrush, 3 years.
Mr. S. A. Wahed's b e g Dollet, 4 years.
Mr. Pitt's b e g Servian, 4 years.
Mr. M. Goculdass' br e m Megale, 4 years.
Mr. M. Goculdass' ch e g Arkangels, 14-2, aged.
General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's b aus m Arlington, 14-2, aged.
Messrs. Begmahomed and A. Nanjee's b e g Airman, aged.
General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's br e m Seigneurie, 6 years.

THE DECEMBER PLATE.—Distance 1 Mile.
Messrs. Stewart and Heath's b a h East Court (late Night Hawk), 6 years.
Mr. Heath's b a h Ajax, 5 years.
Captain Bernard's b a h Iron Chest, aged.
Mr. Erach Jijibhoy's bl a h Young Majub, 14-0, aged.
Mr. Ali bin Talib's ch a h Money Gold, aged.
Mr. S. A. Wahed's bl a h Black Hussar, 5 years.
Mies H. F. Petit's g a h Rosy Morn, 13-3, aged.
Messrs. M. Goculdass and P. Mathradass' b a h Royal Court, 5 years.
Khan Bahadur Israr Hasan Khan's g a h Oxford, 6 years.
Mr. Yussuff Haroon's g a h Raven, 3 years.

THE BYCULLA PLATE.—Distance 1 Mile.
Messrs. Heath and Gold's b a h Refusal, 13-3½, 4 years.
Mr. Heath's g a h Subbiaca, 6 years.
Mr. George's g a h Planet, 14-0, 5 years.
Mr. George's g a h Archer, 13-3½, aged.
Messrs. A. S. Oomer and H. Kadum's g a h Hudban, 6 years.
Mr. Frank's g a h Royalist, 13-2, aged.
Mr. Frank's g a h Mount Pleasant, 13-3½, 5 years.
Captains Bernard and Hutton's b a h Thorium, 6 years.
Mr. T. Bateman's g a h Challenger, 6 years.
Mr. Haji Ahmed Haji Sulleman's g a h Rising Star, 14-0, 5 years.
Mr. A. Nanjee's g a h Acetine, 14-0, 5 years.
Mr. P. Stewart's g a h Fairy Gold, 14-0, 4 years.
Mr. A. A. Dharamsey's ch a h Safi, 13-2½, aged.
Nawab Najaf Ali Khan's ch a h Khan Bahadur (late Leader), 4 years.
Mr. K. A. Hilaly's b a h Simla, 13-3, 6 years.
Mr. Nasir Rajmahomed's ch a h Present, 13-3½, aged.
Mr. Rajmahomed Vazir's g a h Ormuz, 13-3, 5 years.
Mr. Abdul Karim Essa's g a h Dartmoor, 13-3, 3 years.
Mr. Joova Nasir's br a h Milos, 13-3, 5 years.
Mr. N. Jehangir's g a h Nassau, 5 years.
Mr. A. R. Dakeel's b a h Salim, 13-2½, 5 years.
Mr. Ebrahim Mutlag's ch a h Mutar, 14-0, aged.
Mr. D. S. Mehta's b a h Faleh Khan, 14-0, aged.
Mr. Haji Ahmed Bagdady's b a h Shailan, 5 years.
Mr. Valijee Moosajee's ch a h Aberdeen, 13-3½, 4 years.
Mr. Ali bin Talib's b a h Sherali, 13-3½, aged.
Mr. R. R. S.'s g a h Angler, 13-2½, 4 years.
Mr. J. Bomanjee's ch a h Tawakul, 14-0, aged.
Mr. Yussuff Haroon's g a h Raven, 3 years.
Mr. Diamond's g a h Remmes, 6 years.
General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's ch a h Marmora, 14-0, 6 years.
Mr. S. A. Wahed and Aga Mirza Ahmed's b a h Mint Master, 3 years.
Mr. Khalaf bin Safi's g a h Murpho, 5 years.
Messrs. M. Goculdass and P. Mathradass' b a h Najdi, 13-3½, aged.
Messrs. M. Goculdass and P. Mathradass' g a h Paradise, 13-2½, aged.
Mr. Nasar Abdoola and Yussuff Sheriff's ch a h Jemadar, 13-3½, aged.
Mr. Saleh Moosa's g a h Mandala, 13-3½, 4 years.

THE ELPHINSTONE PLATE.—Distance 5 Furlongs (straight).
Mr. J. Stewart's ch a h Arrow, 13-3½.
Mr. J. Stewart's g a h Mat-hat-Baig, 13-2½.
Mr. A. Nanjee's g a h Hurchan, 14-0.
Messrs. A. Nanjee and Valijee Moosajee's b a h Gazal, 14-0.
Mr. Buder bin Alwash's b a h Dhaidan, 14-0.
Messrs. A. R. Dakeel and Syed Ahmed's ch a h Defender, 13-3½.
Mr. Ebrahim Mutlag's ch a h Saood, 13-2½.
Messrs. J. H. Skelton and W. P. Pechey's b a h Tenebreuse, 13-3½.
Mr. S. A. Wahed's g a h Sirmust, 14-0.
Messrs. M. Goculdass and P. Mathradass' b a h Crusader, 13-3½.
General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's b a h Nainava, 14-0.
General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan's ch a h Engine, 14-0.

RACING NOTES.

OPENING OF THE BOMBAY SEASON.

TO-DAY'S EVENTS.

With Calcutta ahead of us by a couple of meetings and the King-Emperor's and Viceroy's Cups looming large in the immediate perspective the racing which commences this afternoon at Mahaluxmi can scarcely be said to have attracted overwhelming attention in the mind of the public in general. And yet as one approaches the time-honoured venue, it will soon be seen that those in charge of the arrangements have been busy with the place for a long while past. The course itself has been further improved and awkward corners suppressed as far as possible.

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The start for the Mile for instance, as was done some good while ago for the six-furlong races, has been straightened out from the 7-furlong post and through a portion of the 5-furlong straight. The winning post has also been shifted to increase the distance of the final run-in. From the actual racing point of view and that of the jockeys themselves, this may be an improvement. But those who like above all to see the actual finish of a race from a point of vantage as near as possible to the judge's box will somewhat naturally ask why, if the winning Post had to be moved, the accomodation for the public was also not extended. But more of this,—much more—anon.

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It was generally supposed that the new Arab would be something of a scarcity for some little while to come but a visit to the course of a morning will quickly dispel any such assumption. They seem to be as numerous as in any season that we can remember and the quality being well up to the average, the races confined to these new arrivals should lack none of their usual excitement and interest.

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As regards this afternoon's events, one can, for the moment, only judge from the present appearance and work of the animals whose names will figure on this first day's card. And from these one is led to expect that Anthracite, Rolling Stock, Lumination and Bunty will show up well in the Winter Plate while Sunder and King's Head should do likewise in the Leicester Plate on the 5-furlong straight. In the Redcar Plate: Airman, Chastity and Seigneurie.

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Amongst the Arabs there are so many that have been doing good solid work and looking well on it that it is harder still to make up one's mind. In the first division of the Teheran Plate, Lightning, Planet and Fairygold are in excellent trim and Active is also moving in most satisfactory stride, while in the second division of this race Angler and Jamadar seem to call for attention. In the Moderate Plate of 7 furlongs, Brimo and Night Hawk, who is to be henceforth known as East Court, should fight it out and finally in the Tulsi Plate over a distance of six furlongs, Tammos and Darban sound like having the better of things.

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More likely than not the name of the winner of the Wellesley Plate at Calcutta will be bruited around towards the end of the afternoon's racing. This is expected to have no small bearing on the chances of picking the winners of the two big races there. Byramji would appear to hold an exceedingly strong hand in the shorter event and it would be no surprise to hear that Bachelor's Wedding, Silver Balm and Magyar have filled the first three places in that interesting mile dash while the stable make no secret of the fact that if Magyar does not rest the big plum from last year's winner, he will at least make Kiltoi gallop all he knows to keep it.

INDIAN IMPERIAL RELIEF FUND SCANDALS.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—I do not know if the following statements in "Truth" were ever officially explained or dealt with. If not it surely behoves the military authorities to rectify or refute the abuses complained of:—

"Reference has previously been made in 'Truth' to the misapplication of the Indian Imperial Relief Fund to the payment of the greater portion of the charges for the board and lodging of invalided officers in hotels and clubs. The officers themselves pay only two rupees a day irrespective of their rank. Those at the Coonor Club have during the past few months given numerous dances and other entertainments, and though no exception could otherwise be taken to such hospitalities, it is manifestly an anomaly that they should be provided by recipients of a fund raised for the relief of distress due to the war. At the same time, it is not the officers who are to blame, but the Indian Government, which has placed them in their false position. Any grant that they require towards the expenses of their convalescence—and by all means let them be generously dealt with in that respect—should be borne by the State, not abstracted from a charitable fund intended for quite different purposes."

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THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.
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A SELF-GOVERNING INDIA.

The basis upon which the speculations of the entire body of Imperial reconstructors of which we have heard, are laid is that India is unfit as well for self-government as for incorporation in any scheme of overseas federation. That, of course, fundamentally vitiates the entire speculation. But it is agreed on all hands that there must be a policy of benevolent preparation for self-government. Such, however, is their ignorance of political conditions in this country,—or, may be, their unwillingness to face the realities of a situation upon which they copiously generalise,—that they have refrained, from describing the modes of this preparation or its duration. One simply wanders in a wilderness of words. Principles which are held to be applicable to one part of the Empire are rejected as inapplicable to others. If representative government made for self-government in the Dominions, why should we have a bureaucratic system of administration in India, in which the principal of representative government receives scant application? If government founded on the will of the people makes for efficiency, peace and progress elsewhere, why should India be denied the boon? We quote some sublime sentiments: "Responsibility for their own government meant that the governed themselves were brought into touch with the facts, and were made responsible for understanding them, and so far lay within the power of men, for controlling them. That in truth is the essence of freedom and the reason why self-government is a necessary condition of its realisation." Again, one asks, what about India? The considerations urged for keeping India permanently in a state of tutelage,—for that is what it all comes to,—do not bear examination.

Take, for insance, the plea that although India may posses leaders qualified both to make and to administer laws it should be denied self-government as long as it does not contain an electorate qualified to recognise those leaders and place them in office. Lord Morley has warned us against the folly of looking for political wisdom in electors in the mass. It is the leaders who determine the course of political growth in any nation; and of such leaders, the Round Table group admit, there are sufficient in this country to supply cabinets and parliaments. Now, we join issue on the question whether an intelligent electorate cannot be constituted in India to-day possessing the requisite qualifications for exercising a sober, well-informed judgment on public affairs and for placing the right kind of men in office. Such efforts as have been made to constitute electorates in this country have been notoriously faint-hearted. The tendency has been to discover the narrowest possible basis, limited as to numbers, bereft of responsibility and denied of any opportunity of diffusing political education outside its own narrow scope. Take a typical case of how "interests" are supposed to be represented on the Imperial Legislative Council. The handful of the representatives of European trade and commerce are permitted to elect representatives, but those who represent the interests of Indian trade and commerce in both centres have been denied the privilege of election. The electorates devised for the Council work from the bottom upwards on an ascending scale of narrowness, in which the principle of real representation is as inconspicuous as possible.

It requires very little perspicacity to realise that if the principle of representative government were honestly applied, electorates of far different quality could be easily found. Of course, it is no merely a question of devising electorates; it is in a higher degree a question of investing the popular representatives with the power of influencing Government in legislation and administration. It is because it has not been considered proper to invest popular representatives with real powers that the electorates have been so weakly constituted. At every stage of the argument we are confronted by the cardinal error of laying down a policy which there is no serious intention to carry out in practice. That is why we distrust these schemes of benevolent preparation. The issue as to the future constitution of the Empire, on a federal basis, united for purposes of defence, need not be gone into here. The paramount issue, as far as India is concerned is whether she is to be invested with real self-governing powers or not. That issue is burked in the endeavour to devise a coalition of Great Britain and the Dominions in the common task of governing India. That really will not do. India has at no time asked for any such arrangement which is as much alien to Indian as to Colonial sentiment. The entire trend of British policy culminating in the noble declarations contained in the Delhi Despatch has been towards the creation of a federation of Indian States. India does not want any new masters or combination of masters. On the other hand it wants to be master in its own domestic affairs.

Notes of the Day.

Newspapers and the War.

Our London correspondent in his letter by yesterday's mail remarks that the problem of war prosperity is the most baffling mystery of the time. Great Britain he says is to all appearances flourishing on the expenditure of thirty-five millions sterling a week. It is not only in the great English cities that one sees this lavish expenditure on luxury and other evidences of war prosperity. It is to be seen also in some of the Indian cities, especially Bombay, where many departments of trade and industry have prospered and are prospering exceedingly by the war. But if there are sections that have been benefitted, there are others that have suffered, and one of the institutions that comes under the latter category is the newspaper press which has been struggling from the very beginning of the war against continually increasing difficulties. The cost of every kind of material, except that of the brain product of those engaged in the literary industry which has tended to decline, has increased enormously. The chief trouble, however, has been the increase in the cost of paper owing to the double causes of increased freight charges and the difficulty of manufacture through the prohibition of import of materials used in its manufacture.

Ourselves.

Thus the market price to-day of the paper used in the production of "The Bombay Chronicle" is about four times as much as the normal rate before the war, and there is every expectation that it will reach an even higher,—very much higher,—figure. No business can, of course, stand such a continued strain of increased cost of production without sooner or later inviting the consumer to share the burden. This is a step which the Proprietors of "The Bombay Chronicle" have postponed as long as possible. But the time has come when they are obliged, in common with the proprietors of our contemporaries, to make an increased charge. From the First of January next the cash price of a single copy of "The Bombay Chronicle" will be two annas, while the subscription rates will be increased to Rs. 30 per annum for the City and Rs. 35 for the Mofussil. These increased rates are, of course, not intended to be permanent, and the normal rates will be re-established as soon as the cost of paper and other materials approximates to a level which will enable the Proprietors to do so. We have no doubt that our readers will fully appreciate the fact that this step has been taken only by the force of absolute necessity and will continue to support "The Bombay Chronicle" as they have done hitherto.

The Freedom of the Painters' Company.

Reuter has taken the trouble, apparently in the fond belief that people here are interested in the news, to announce that the Painters Company has conferred its freedom on Lord Sydenham in recognition of his great services to the Empire, particularly as Governor of Bombay. The Painters Company,—assuming that there is any appropriateness in the step it has taken,—might have done worse than recognise the over-estimated services of Lord Sydenham to the Empire so far as the organisation of its defence is concerned. His share in serving his country in this direction has been fairly substantial, but it cannot by any means be regarded as brilliant or invaluable. But it is an anti-climax to signal the part played by this worthy Royal Engineer as Governor of Bombay as his chief claim to honour, even from the Painters Company. If to have strengthened the forces of re-action and to have attempted the Prussianising of the educational system with some success has won for Lord Sydenham the gratitude of some of his countrymen, no Indian will grudge him that privilege.

"The Rule of the Sabre."

The recent debate in the Reichstag on the abuses of "Preventive Arrest" gave Herr Maximilian Harden ample scope for his powers of lurid denunciation, and in mail week he devoted a whole number of "Die Zukunft" to a vehement onslaught on the Government's views of the rights of the subject. He wrote:

It is not the officer who does his duty as conscientiously in the War Office as in the field and who is seldom a greater fool than any one of a dozen "Geheimrate" and even members of Parliament . . . that is responsible. It is the Chancellor of the German Empire himself, from whose official residence all these instructions and orders rain down on us. It is he who must pay the penalty, it is he whose salary must be docked. . . .

Herr Harden proceeded to call the rule now prevailing in Germany the "rule of the Sabre," which ought to be subordinated to civil power. He then continued:

He who calls the sword an obsolete tool, no longer worthy of humanity, must not on that account be treated as a coward and a scoundrel. On the contrary, as every day confirms the truth that war is no longer the instrument that will put an end to the present horror, necessity commands that we all should revert to reason, the basis of all policy.

Waste of Stationery.

The United Provinces Government, we are told, have just issued a communiqué in which they express their anxiety to reduce the amount of stationery consumed in Government offices. They propose to hold a summary enquiry to see whether economies cannot be effected, at all events for the period of war. The awakening is late, though not too late. Ever since the outbreak of the war economy has obstensibly been the order of the day in the stationery and the printing departments of the various Governments as in any other department. But that wastefulness is not yet a thing of the past is evidenced by the anxiety evinced by the United Provinces Government. That it is time the Government of Bombay also looked into this matter will be apparent from a few figures. In 1903-4, the net charges on Stationery and Printing amounted to Rs. 9.90 lakhs, in 1908-9, they rose to Rs. 11.78 lakhs, in 1912-13 to Rs. 12.3 lakhs in 1913-14 to Rs. 13.84 lakhs. and in 1914-15 to Rs. 14.10 lakhs. Thus in a decade the net charges steadily increased by over 40 per cent. We have thought of making a collection of the unnecessary stationery that reaches this office from Government Departments in order to estimate from time to time the actual amount of wastage.

An Intellectual Entente.

The British Royal Society of Literature has appointed a new committee which will serve as a centre of stimulus and co-operation in promoting fuller intellectual intercourse among the Allies and friendly neutrals. It includes among its members Mr. Balfour, Lord Crewe and many distinguished scholars and authors. There are to be similar committees of French, Italian, and Russian scholars in their respective capitals. A great deal has been done since the war to help on the interchange of literary knowledge. An effort is being made, for instance, to increase the circulation of books in the Allied and neutral countries. Before the war, as is well known, the Germans were able largely to control the circulation of English books in such countries as Italy and Spain through the great bookselling organisation at Leipsic. A scheme is on the carpet which ought to break down the international bookselling monopoly of Germany. There is also an interesting movement on foot for building up in the chief Allied countries a sort of British Museum library of English books. London publishers will be asked to send copies of important new works to Paris, Rome and Petrograd, as well as to the British Museum, and the chief French, Italian, and Russian works will come here in the same way. The new committee will watch over the developments now taking place in the international teaching at the universities. It is an anomaly that there is no Italian chair at any British university, but this is to be remedied almost at once. The Senate of London University has just recommended the appointment of a professor of Italian language and literature. According to the London correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian," a project is afoot to start a new international literary review, which will be the common meeting-ground of famous writers and scholars in the European countries outside enemy territories.

Conscription Comes Home.

Here is a "deadly parallel":—

In Great Britain the way is clear. Compulsion is the law of the land, and if the present Government dare not take what soldiers the country needs we must find another Government which will. . . . Ireland to her great detriment has been excluded from the law of compulsion. . . . And then into the midst of things comes that eminent "patriot" Mr. Redmond. . . . We have things of far greater import to consider than Mr. Redmond's position, and it is only the man's mischievous egoism that makes it necessary for a while to remember him.—"Blackwood's Magazine" (Musings Without Method) for November.

Mr. J. H. Blackwood, the London editor of "Blackwood's Magazine," sought exemption from military service at the City Local Tribunal yesterday. He claimed that he was indispensable. His duties, he said, consisted of dealing with contributors and in the supervision of an important book trade. The chairman said he recognised that the magazine was an important one, but we were at war, and the claim must be disallowed. The military would be asked not to call him up for a month. Mr. Blackwood announced his intention to appeal.—"Daily News," November 8.

TATA WORKS AND INDIAN LABOUR.

MR. TUTEWILR'S EVIDENCE EXAMINED.

II

By M. J. ANTIA, M. A. (Bomb. and Cantab.)

In my article yesterday I stated that wherever there has been a replacement of Indian labour for European, that has taken place in the unskilled ranks and that such replacement was not only necessary but inevitable. As I am writing without passion or prejudice against anyone I would take this opportunity to state in Mr. Tutwiler's time some covenanted hands have been replaced by Indians, although only by Indians of the workmen or "mistry" type, and under his supervision the number of American workmen in the Blast Furnaces has also been appreciably reduced. In the Coke Ovens an Indian workman who is, I believe, a Sikh, has replaced a covenanted hand as foreman. As I should not like to be inaccurate or unjust to anyone I ought certainly to mention such facts as I know. But Mr. Tutwiler has himself admitted that the Indians who have replaced the Europeans in the Sakchi Works were of the workmen type; they were educated in the sense that they could read and write, but had no higher education or technological training. A child who has just learned to read and write the letters of the alphabet can also be said "to read and write." The number of persons in India who can just read and write numerals and the letters of the alphabet is very large, but none of them can be called anything but illiterate and uneducated. The great need of the iron and steel industry in India is not comparatively unskilled Indian labour but highly scientific and and technically trained Indian labour. This industry is at present worked for us by skilled American and foreign labour. If we wish to see this industry worked and controlled by pure Indian labour in the future—as was the wish of the late Jamsetji Tata—as is the wish of all lovers of India—and as must be the wish of the Directors and the Agents—it is imperatively necessary to get the higher type of Indian labour. And, therefore, although I am not only willing to acknowledge but also to appreciate the fact that in a few cases ordinary illiterate Indian workmen of the "mistry" grade have absorbed the manual dexterity of foreign workmen and are now doing the same work and the same class of work at one-sixth or one-tenth the wages paid to the latter, I cannot help expressing my disappointment that as yet no effort has been made to employ and to retain the services of the higher grades of Indian labour.

IMPORTANCE OF UNIVERSITY EDUCATION.

Mr. Tutwiler says in his evidence that too much importance is attached to university education in this country. It should be, however, remembered that with us school education gives us our first acquaintance with the English language while in England or America a boy of fifteen or sixteen who has no need to learn a foreign language gets a much better education than an Indian boy of the same age. The importance attached to university education is due to the fact that an Indian only begins his proper education when he enters a college, although this is not the case elsewhere. If university education means only a literary education Mr. Tutwiler's remarks are not unsound. The great need of the moment in all countries is scientific education; but if it is contended that there is no place for university men in the iron and steel industry and only men trained in the school of manual work are of any use in it, then such a view cannot be supported. The importance of theoretical knowledge and of highly specialised scientific education was emphasised in an article in the "Statist," a paper intimately connected with England's commercial superiority. Stephen James, the Secretary of the British Iron Trade Association, says: "The General Manager of an iron and steel company should be at once an engineer, a chemist and a metallurgist. For all subordinate positions theoretical and technical knowledge should go hand in hand, and the man who knows the most is likely to come out nearest the top. The great technical colleges established in recent years at Birmingham, Sheffield, Leeds, Manchester, and other large centres of industry provide abundant opportunities for the capable and hardworking student to qualify for the highest positions available in the iron and steel industries." Those who read such journals as the "Iron Age," the "Ironmonger," the "Iron and Coal Trades Review," and other periodicals and books which deal specially with the iron and steel industry know how new inventions and new methods of production, by which the efficiency of output is greatly increased, are taking place in this industry nearly every day, and that the best brains in the scientific world are constantly engaged in finding out better and still better processes and improvements in every department of an industry without which no civilised nation can ever become great or prosperous. If India wants to succeed in this age of competition and at a time when England and the United States are both feverishly increasing their output of steel, it should get as many educated Indians into this industry as possible. "The iron and steel industry is either a prince or pauper." In times of abnormal prosperity preparations must be made for the times of grim cut-throat competition which are looming ahead, and this is the moment when India should not rest content with being a servile imitator and a dependent, but should aim at becoming an initiator and a guide. Therefore the importance of training scientific Indian labour at Sakchi cannot be overstated.

AN OUTSTANDING FACT.

So far we have not a single scientifically trained Indian in this industry. This fact

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RUSSIAN EXPOSURE OF GERMAN ENTERPRISE.

MR. BONAR LAW ON THE ONE CONDITION OF PEACE.

GERMAN PEACE OVERTURES.

RUSSIA'S STERN REPUDIATION

ENTENTE'S UNSHAKEN DETERMINATION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.

A semi-official note scornfully criticises the German peace proposals and declares that all the innumerable sacrifices of the Allies would be nullified by premature peace with the enemy exhausted but not yet brought down.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.

The semi-official Note issued here reviews the previous German efforts to create an idea of peace prospects among their own people in order to obtain support and animate the troops. The Note dwells on the attempts to sow discord among members of the Entente by reports of separate peace, and declares that the lack of sincerity and the object of the new proposal are evident. It points out that the enemy is in need of heroic measures to complete the gaps in the armies and is simultaneously projecting a sort of serfdom in the guise of compulsory military work.

The German Government is striving to persuade its people that the offer of peace having been refused, therefore the enemies are responsible for the continuation of the war.

The semi-official statement proceeds that the Note's references to respect for the rights of other nations show that the idea of the hegemony of Germany everywhere predominates. The statement declares that no favourable ground exists for peace negotiations. The speeches of the Allied Premiers convince Germany of the inacceptability of the proposal, and this explains the avoidance of any mention of peace conditions.

The statement concludes, "We are convinced that the new enterprise is condemned to failure like the previous efforts. The Entente would assume a terrible responsibility before their peoples and all humanity if they suspended the struggle. No illusory enemy proposals can weaken the Entente's firm determination to continue the war to a final triumph."

LATER.

The authoritative opinion is expressed that the peace proposal is a fresh trap for premature peace and it would be a terrible mistake to agree to it. The Allies must proceed to the final triumph.

THE PEACE NOTE.

WITH PRESIDENT WILSON.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.

The Peace Note, accompanied by a confidential report from the American Charge d'Affaires in Berlin, outlining the affairs which led up to the Chancellor's overtures, has been received and is now before Dr. Wilson.

It is not indicated whether the President will add anything prior to the immediate transmission of the Note to the Allies.

SYRA ANNEXED.

SUCCESS OF VENIZELISTS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
SYRA, Dec. 14.

On December 12th Venizelist troops landed at Hermopolis and annexed Syra. The remainder of the Cyclades will shortly be annexed.

BOMBARDMENT ON MONASTIR FRONT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

This afternoon's French communiqué says:—

The enemy bombarded the whole Monastir front and also the town itself, causing civilian casualties. We effectively replied.

NEED TO SETTLE GREEK QUESTION QUICKLY.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Dec. 15.

A "Civil and Military Gazette's" special cable says:—

Mr. Ward Price says if King Constantine were to mobilise against the Entente, difficulties would be created with which the Salonika force would undoubtedly be able to cope, but at the cost of restricting its action elsewhere. It is unlikely that the Greeks would have used arms in Athens unless they were expecting German aid from the north.

The war correspondent, Mr. Crawford Price interviewed, said: "General Falkenhayn cannot reach Macedonia under a month. We must settle the Greek question more quickly."

DELAYS IN INDIAN LITIGATION.

STRICTURES BY PRIVY COUNCIL.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Dec. 15.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" cable says:—

Twice in three days the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council has again protested against delays in Indian litigation instancing a Bengal appeal in which proceedings were begun in 1893.

MR. BONAR LAW ON PEACE OFFER.

GOVERNMENT DETERMINATION UNCHANGED.

FRESH VOTE OF CREDIT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

Speaking in the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Bonar Law, referring to the German peace proposal, reminded the House that Mr. Asquith in moving the last vote of Credit declared that the Allies required adequate reparation for the past and adequate security for the future. (Loud cheers). That was still our policy and that was still the determination of the Government. (Prolonged cheers).

Mr. Bonar Law then moved a Vote of Credit of four hundred millions which would suffice until 24th February. The daily average expenditure had risen to £5,710,000. The total votes of Credit for the financial year had been 1950 million sterling which was 350 millions above the estimate.

The increase was mainly due to munitions and loans to the Allies and Dominions. The extent of the increase of munitions had been enormous and almost incredible. This was a striking proof of the country's vitality. The increase under the heading "Loans to the Allies and Dominions" amounted to £400,000 daily. The increase, had, however, gone entirely to the Allies as the Dominions were able to finance their own expenditure.

Mr. Bonar Law emphasised Germany's advantage in the matter of controlling the resources of her Allies. He declared that the Entente Governments had been endeavouring to secure central control and said that much had been done in this matter in the past six months. He believed that the rapidity of victory depended on the extent to which the resources of the Allies in men, money and munitions could be thrown into the common cause.

The total war expenditure of Great Britain had been 2852 millions and he believed we were able to maintain the present rate long enough to ensure that financial causes would not prevent victory (cheers.) He stated that hitherto no peace proposal had reached the Government.

Mr. McKenna promised Mr. Bonar Law his fullest support in his difficult task.

The House unanimously adopted the Vote of credit.

LIBERATION OF SERBIA.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE'S ASSURANCE TO M. PASITCH.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.

Mr. Lloyd George and M. Pasitch, the Serbian Premier, have exchanged messages affirming the Allies' determination to prosecute the war until Serbia's independence is restored.

A MERE BLUFF.

AUSTRALIAN PRESS COMMENTS.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
MELBOURNE, Dec. 14.

The press unanimously denounces the German peace proposal as a bluff.

Mr. Hughes in a speech, said, any peace was impossible which did not provide for the evacuation of the Allied territory, compensation to victims and punishment of the perpetrators of outrages.

PERSUASIVE TONE OF GERMAN PRESS.

PEACE PROPOSALS REPRESENTED AS MODERATE.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 14.

The "Frankfurter Zeitung" publishes a remarkable article in a tone of studied moderation, endeavouring to persuade the Entente to accept the offer of peace.

It says that although they are not yet known, Germany's peace proposals will be found moderate. A great majority of Germans are anxious for a lasting peace.

SERIOUS RIOTING AT HAMBURG.

1,000 CASUALTIES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Dec. 15.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" special cable says:—

The "Daily Express" says that serious rioting in which 2,000 persons took part, occurred in Hamburg on Thursday, Friday and Saturday. The local military forces were insufficient and special trains were hurried up with reinforcements. There were 1,000 casualties.

The "Daily News" Berne correspondent says the riots were the result of the suppression of a peace meeting. The streets were swept by maxims and many were killed.

RUSSIAN OFFENSIVE.

STUBBORN BATTLE AT BAZEU.

SPLENDID GRIT OF RUSSIAN FORCE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

A Russian communiqué says:—The enemy on the 13th instant continued his attacks in the direction of Buzeu. Our cavalry and infantry came into contact with the enemy west and south-west of Buzeu and fought a stubborn battle.

The communiqué does not mention the result of this engagement. Presumably the battle continues.

ENEMY ADVANCE IN ROUMANIA CONTINUES.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
DELHI, Dec. 15.

The Viceroy's war telegram from the Secretary of State, dated the 13th December, says:—

The Germans continue to advance in Roumania and have occupied Mizilu and Urzicheni in the direction of Busan.

Germany has made overtures of peace to the Allies by sending a note through neutral Powers summing up the military and naval situation wholly in her favour, and concluding with a declaration that the four Allied powers namely, Germany, Austria, Bulgaria and Turkey have proposed to enter forthwith into peace negotiations.

GERMAN LEVY ON CRAIOVA.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Dec. 15.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" cable says:—

It is estimated that the German levy on Craiova amounts to £38 per head of the population.

NEW MINISTRY.

MINOR APPOINTMENTS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.

The following new Government appointments are announced:—

Parliamentary Secretaries of Munitions:—Mr. Evans and Mr. Kellaway.

Parliamentary Secretary to Admiralty:—Mr. Macnamara.

Civil Lord of Admiralty:—Mr. Pretyman.

Parliamentary Secretary, Board of Trade:—Mr. G. Roberts.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Agriculture:—Sir Richard Winfrey.

Parliamentary Under-Secretary, War Office:—Mr. Macpherson.

Financial Secretary, War Office:—Mr. Forster.

Lord Steward of Household:—Lord Farquhar.

Treasurer of Household:—Mr. James Craig.

Comptroller of Household:—Sir Edwin Cornwall.

Captain of Yeomanry:—Lord Suffield.

Lords in Waiting:—Lord Kenyon and Viscount Valentia.

Parliamentary Secretary to the Air Board:—Major Baird.

Parliamentary Secretaries to the Treasury:—Lord Talbot and Mr. Primrose.

Lords of Treasury:—Mr. J. F. Hope, Mr. Walsh and Mr. Pratt.

Other appointments are unchanged.

NO RE-ELECTION OF MINISTERS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

A Bill was introduced to-day provisionally dispensing with the necessity for the re-election of Ministers.

CONTROL OF FOOD SUPPLY.

REGULATION FOR 1917 SUPPLY OF SEED POTATOES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

It is officially announced that the Food Controller, at the instance of the Board of Trade, has issued regulations safeguarding the 1917 supply of seed potatoes.

CONTROL OF FOOD AND LABOUR.

EXTENSIVE POWERS FOR FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
PARIS, Dec. 15.

The Government has introduced a bill authorising the Government to take by a decree measures necessary for national defence, especially regarding agricultural and industrial output, recruiting of labour and sale, distribution and consumption of commodities.

AUSTRIAN MINISTRY.

KOEBER'S RESIGNATION

GROWING POLITICAL ANARCHY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
AMSTERDAM, Dec 14.

Vienna telegram states that the Austrian Government has resigned and that M. Alexander Spitzmueller is forming a Cabinet.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 15.

M. Koeber's resignation has caused a sensation in Vienna, where the Emperor's move is regarded as revolutionary and indicating his intention to restore the regime of absolutism.

The Emperor personally requested M. Koeber to resign. No explanation is forthcoming, but the action was undoubtedly due to the growing political anarchy.

It is reported that the Emperor previously conferred with Count Tisza. The latter in a speech at Budapest on Tuesday, admitted that Austria-Hungary took the first step in the direction of offering peace.

The new Premier, M. Spitzmueller, is a Director of the Viennese Credit Anstalt, and is insignificant politically. It is believed that Count Berchtold will return to the Foreign Office.

OPPOSITION OF GERMAN DEPUTIES.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
AMSTERDAM, Dec. 14.

A telegram from Vienna says that the Ministry's resignation was due partly to the opposition of a number of German deputies and partly to the question of constitutional relationship with Hungary.

WHY THE MINISTRY FELL.

GERMANY'S DISPLEASURE.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
ZURICH, Dec. 15.

The fall of the Koerber cabinet is due to the influence of Germany who was displeased with Koerber's firmness towards Hungary.

Germany favours a conciliatory Austrian policy towards Hungary with the object of establishing closer political and economic relations between Austria, Germany and Hungary. Spitzmueller is a former employee of the Deutsche Bank.

LORD SYDENHAM.

HONOURED BY PAINTERS COMPANY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

The Painters Company has conferred its freedom on Lord Sydenham in recognition of his great services to the Empire, particularly as Governor of Bombay.

Acknwledging the honour Lord Sydenham said:—"I have done my utmost for the Empire for many years in varied capacities, especially in trying to produce organisation for war."

SUCCESSFUL BRITISH RAID.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.

A British communiqué says we entered the trenches in the neighbourhood of Monchy-au-Bois, southward of Arras and bombed dugouts full of troops.

An attempted enemy raid in the neighbourhood of Hulluch failed.

We bombarded and set on fire a dump in the neighbourhood of Pys.

LIVELY ARTILLERY ACTIONS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.

A French communiqué says there were fairly lively artillery actions south of the Somme, on both banks of the Meuse, and on the heights south of Borshomme.

CANNONADE ON BRITISH FRONT REDOUBLED.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Dec. 15.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" cable says:—

The "Daily Chronicle's" Paris correspondent says the cannonade on the British front has redoubled since Saturday and extends to the coast. Snow has begun to fall.

The "Liberate's" correspondent mentions a report that the Germans are preparing a strong counter-offensive against the British.

DEATH OF A DRAMATIST.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

The death of the dramatist Mr. Comyns Carr is announced.

P. & O. COMPANY.

INCREASE IN PASSENGER RATES.

FORESHADOWED BY LORD INCHCAPE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 13.

Presiding at a meeting of the Peninsular and Oriental Company Lord Inchcape foreshadowed an increase in the passenger rates next year. He paid a tribute to the captain and crew of the Arabia for safely transferring 721 persons to boats in fifteen minutes. The Company had received hundreds of letters from passengers expressing appreciation of their rescue and of the arrangements made for their comfort, on which the company had spent £10,000. The Peninsular and Oriental capital was now seven and a half millions sterling. The financial position had been investigated very closely and the result was quite reassuring.

Lord Inchape hinted that the Deferred dividend might be reduced.

Referring to the submarine campaign he said:—If all the stories are true, submarines are consatntly sunk. I am perfectly confident that the Navy will overcome the momentary difficulties.

THE ILL-FATED CALEDONIA.

GOVERNMENT ON CAPTAIN BLAIKIE'S CASE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

In the House of Commons Mr. Bonar Law announced that the Government was taking such action as it thought necessary in the case of Captain Blaikie of the Caledonia.

VESSELS SUNK.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 15.

The British steamers St. Ursula, Harlyn, Harlington and Burnhope, the Norwegian steamer Bjoer and the French four masted barque Emma Laurens, have been sunk.

FLOATING MINES IN ATLANTIC.

(REUTER'S SPECIAL WAR SERVICE.)
FERROL, Dec. 14.

A Dutch steamer reports that she passed an oil tank steamer in flames and that she saw four floating mines in the Atlantic.

GERMAN ARMED MERCHANTMAN IN ATLANTIC.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)
LAHORE, Dec. 15.

A "Civil and Military Gazette" cable says:—

The Admiralty warning of the presence of a German armed merchantman in the Atlantic, has increased the insurance rates. The vessel has achieved nothing.

SUPPLEMENTARY ARMY ESTIMATE.

ADDITIONAL ONE MILLION MEN.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)
LONDON, Dec. 14.

The supplementary estimate provides for an additional million men for the Army, making the total five millions.

TO-DAY'S WAR SUMMARY.

Mr. Bonar Law in moving a vote of credit, referred to the German peace proposal, and declared that the one condition of peace in the words of Mr. Asquith was adequate reparation for the past and adequate security for the future.

A semi-official Russian Note scornfully criticises the German peace proposals and declares that the new German enterprise is condemned to failure.

The Peace Note has been received by Dr. Wilson.

The Venizelists have annexed Syra and the remainder of the Cyclades will shortly be annexed.

The Russians report a stubborn battle west and south-west of Buzeu.

LONDON LETTER.

CONTROL OF FOOD SUPPLY.

MR RUNCIMAN ASKS FOR MORE POWER.

SCHEME OF RATION TICKETS.

NEED OF CUTTING DOWN LUXURIES IN FOOD.

Our correspondent deals with the urgent need for the proper control of food supplies and the scheme of Mr. Runciman to that effect which was the Parliamentary feature of the mail week.

(From our Correspondent.)
LONDON, Nov. 16.

The subject of the week is Food. A few days ago the British offensive in France was renewed, and Sir Douglas Haig was in a position to announce the victory of the Ancre. Once again, therefore, public interest was carried to a point of the utmost intensity, after a comparative slackening of several weeks. But even the great news from the front, accumulating day by day, was not sufficient to reduce the public interest in the food question, which everybody appeared, somehow, to recognise as having at last become all-important. It was not that any danger of serious or imminent shortage was spoken of. Wholesale prices were mounting up, but to all appearance supplies were being fully maintained. The activity of enemy submarines was continuous, but there was no suggestion that their exploits were destructive enough to make any grave difference to the national provision. Clearly, however, the public was not by any means sufficiently mindful of economy, and the Government was bound to look ahead.

MR. RUNCIMAN'S SCHEME.

Rumour of all kinds preceded the introductions of Mr. Runciman's scheme which has been the Parliamentary feature of the week. The cry was heard again that we were all to be put on rations. There were to be meat tickets, bread tickets, milk tickets. One meatless day a week was to be imposed by law, the prophets neglecting to tell us how, short of a Super-Prussian system of registration and penalties, the tables of the whole people could be supervised and restricted. It is long since the Englishman's house ceased to be his castle, but this, plainly, would be to transform it into a prison. However, in contradiction of the rumours, it was asserted that the President of the Board of Trade was not a Super-Prussian; on the contrary, he was disposed to make the new regulations as merciful as the public welfare and safety would permit. Well, he made his statement yesterday, and to-day the whole of England is eagerly discussing the powers and prospects of the Food Dictator who is to be set over the nation's supply and its distribution, the shops and restaurants, the bakers, the grocers, the manufacturers and purveyors of luxuries, to say nothing of our private parties and dinner tables. Mr. Runciman, as he informed the House of Commons, had been told that the country was tired of being lectured and wanted to be governed. He asked the House to give the Government power to govern. There was a hit at the multiple agencies devoted to the cause of national economy—placards and newspaper articles, leaflets, household visits (mostly by people who don't know what is to go short), public meetings, cookery demonstrations. The time had come, Mr. Runciman explained, when the old voluntary principle to which he had long been wedded must be abandoned in the vast department of food. The Government might have to take steps in the way of State control which might cause a great deal of discomfort and, perhaps, in some quarters, provoke discontent. But they had the right to ask all our people to put up with some hardship, which would be assessed and distributed as evenly as possible, in order that those who were giving far more for the country might be enabled to reach a glorious victory. The consumption of food must be reduced; but for himself Mr. Runciman confessed the idea of the ticket system was detestable. Nevertheless, the Government wanted to have powers to put into operation without delay if the necessity should arise. The new powers mean that the Government will be able to fix prices; to regulate sale and distribution by tickets, or otherwise; to prescribe the purpose for which an article of food may or may not be used; to control manufacture, for example, to declare what kind of flour shall be milled, what kind of bread baked, what kind and how much pastry and sweetmeats shall be made; to proceed against those who waste; to regulate markets and to deal with the organisers of rings and corners; to order a detailed return from any firm of stocks, contracts, prices, and costs. It is almost unnecessary to say that this scheme is the largest and most drastic enterprise of the kind ever attempted by the authorities in England. There will be no reason for surprise if, more than anything else except the Military Service Act, it should take rank in history as the measure marking off the New England from the Old. How is it received? The answer is apparently not in doubt. In the Commons the Government heard from all parts of the House the declaration that, so far from coming too soon or going too far, the scheme might have been introduced months ago and might even now be made more severe.

THE FOOD DICTATOR.

The Department of Food Control is to be put in charge of a Minister who, presumably, will be in possession of powers so

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comprehensive than those of the Minister of War or of Munitions. The Prime Minister's choice is not yet known. If Mr. Asquith should follow precedent, he will pick out some ordinary member of the Government—Mr. Runciman himself, perhaps or Mr. Walter Long—that permanently serviceable gentleman who, being without any special ability or experience, save such as belongs to a country square, is somehow, in our pleasing English fashion, regarded as being equal to any administrative office, new or old. The cry, however, is raised for a business organiser as Food Dictator instead of a politician—and I see that an evening paper is pleased to nominate Sir William Lever. Well, Sir William Lever's career seems to suggest that this would be a job not unsuited to his talents. There can be few men in the world with a more masterly knowledge of markets and distribution, a more compendious grasp of the making and working of rings; and his model community of Port Sunlight has furnished him with fine opportunities of enjoying the pleasures of the benevolent autocrat.

IS IT NECESSARY?

If you ask, is it necessary that England should submit to complete and drastic regulation of its food, both necessaries and luxuries, there can be no hesitation about the answer. The reduction or the failure of the supplies of certain stuffs have of course, imposed some economies upon everybody; but the daily spectacle of life in the cities raises constantly in the mind of the observer the question whether the multiple appeals for economy have had any real effect, except upon a small minority of the more thoughtful and responsible. London and all the large cities present an amazing panorama. The West End has probably never been more full with Khaki everywhere, the contingents from the Colonies, the wounded in every stage of convalescence, the crowds of soldiers' relatives up from the country with men on leave or for the purpose of being near their friends, departing or returned. The throngs in the hotels and restaurants, the theatres and kinimas, are a perpetual marvel; and it needs no special observation to see that the expenditure of money is prodigious. The problem of war prosperity is the most baffling mystery of the time. We are, to all appearence, flourishing upon the expenditure of thirty-five millions sterling a week; or say, the pouring out every fortnight of a sum equal to the entire annual revenue of England in Gladstonian days. And the particular aspect of this situation which strikes the on-looker just now is the extraordinary profusion of the food and confectionery shops. To-day the leader-writers, who are discussing the Food Dictator this task ought to know why he should not begin by prohibiting the manufacture of cakes and fancy pastry, and reducing the unlimited abundance and variety of the sweet shops to plain chocolate and a few brands of standardized toffee. Why not? The answer that he certainly cannot begin with a measure that would be characterized as extreme and oppressive, but that as the months go on and he begins to feel his power and to realise the force of public opinion upon which he may count his hands may fall alike upon the plainer confections enjoyed by the multitude and the incredible fantasies in the luxuries of the table upon which the fortified and privileged among us are expending a considerable portion of their spoils of war. But it must be admitted that the vested interests, the contractors, the wholesale middlemen, the manipulators of rings and markets have had a ruinous start.

GERMAN TRADE WITH JAPAN

A BELATED ORDER OF PROHIBITION

(Associated Press.)

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 15.

The "Pioneer's" Tokio correspondent writes:—During the six months from January to September the German trade with Japan amounted in value to 35,88,000 yen which is 15,15,000 yen less than last year. The items were mostly aniline dyes, pulp, iron and machinery imported chiefly through Denmark, Switzerland and United States. There has been considerable agitation in Japan against the continuance of enemy trade and now the Imperial Government is taking steps to fall into a line with other Allies in prohibition of trade with the enemy. An Imperial order is in preparation for early issue forbidding trade with the Central Powers and providing severe penalties for its violation. The Deutsch Asiatic Bank in Yokohama which had been promoting not only enemy trade but enemy propaganda, has been closed by the Japanese authorities.

SALE OF DANISH WEST INDIES

PLEBISCITE RESULTS IN A MAJORITY OF AYES.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 15.

The plebiscite on the question of the sale of the Danish West Indies has resulted in 283,694 votes in favour and 157,596 against.

INDIA COUNCIL TRANSFERS.

LATEST QUOTATIONS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

LONDON, Dec. 13.

Wednesday Tenders for the India Council Immediate Transfers will henceforth be 1/32 above the tenders for Bills and Deferred Transfers. Applicants will receive the same proportion of amounts applied for. The minimum rate for special Immediate Transfers will be 1/4 and 7/32.

TATA WORKS AND INDIAN LABOUR.

(Continued from page 8.)

will, I hope, be now admitted. Any recommendation which would secure the employment of Indians should be at once considered and acted upon. Mr. Tutwiler's recommendation that the Tata Company should pick out some educated men and send them out to other countries for training should be seriously considered not only by the Directorate but also by the Committee of the J. N. Tata Education Scheme. It is likely that if fifty or a hundred young men are sent to England for work in the controlled munition factories, their presence may be greatly appreciated. A hundred Indians in the munition factories might release a hundred more men for active service. But side by side with such measures there should be a definite and conscious policy for training men with high qualifications in the Sakchi Works. Such a system is adopted by Messrs. Tata, Sons and Co. in the Empress Mills at Nagpore, where under the capable supervision of Sir Bezonji Dadabhai, graduates of Indian Universities, work up from the bottom to high positions in the cotton spinning and weaving industry. There is no reason why such a system should not be adopted at Sakchi. The experience of the Empress Mills is quite against the view expressed in another place that Indians will not take off their coats and work with dirty hands like ordinary workmen. Why should complaints about educated Indians come from only one department of national industry controlled by Messrs. Tata, Sons and Co. and why not from another? The notion that Indians do not know the dignity of manual labour is purely imaginary and ought to be repudiated once for all.

COSTLY FOREIGN LABOUR.

The statistics of the number of covenanted and local hands at Sakchi which are printed in "The Times of India," of the 12th instant, only make a distinction between covenanted hands and local labour. Mr. Findlay Shirras in his recent survey of "the Trade of India" does not make such a distinction, for he states that in 1915-16 the Tata Iron and Steel Company employed 178 Europeans. The figures for wages paid to covenanted hands do not, so far I can judge, take account of three very important items which are all chargeable to cost of production,—namely, bonus, leave pay, and passage money. Bonus is paid to covenanted hands when they exceed a certain margin of production, but as this limit is low and is exceeded regularly every month, bonus is also paid to many covenanted hands every month. Regular payments like this ought to appear in a statement of wages. (See Bowley's "Elements of Statistics.") The charges due to leave pay and passage money would probably come to about a lakh of rupees annually. So that even if the wages of locally hired Europeans are counted in with the wages paid to all the others, it would seem that a few covenanted hands get more than half the total wages. Hence the employment of Indians and their gradual substitution in place of Americans and others is not a matter in which mere sentiment or racial feeling should guide our counsels. It is not sound business to employ highly costly and proportionately inefficient foreign labour when much cheaper and perhaps even more efficient labour can be trained up at home.

Moreover the financial aspect is not the sole consideration. Very often covenanted hands brought from abroad at great cost have to leave the Works suddenly. The Company not only loses their services but also the valuable experience gathered by them of making steel under tropical conditions. For instance the American Superintendent of the Blast Furnaces left the Works suddenly in July or August last, before his contract term of service had expired. Such cases when covenanted men have to leave the Works at a moment's notice must continue to occur. Is there a single Indian in Sakchi who can replace these men in case of necessity? Not one. Even when you are compelled by necessity to replace a covenanted hand by an Indian, you cannot do so, because you have no system on the "apprentice" or "understudy" lines. Or suppose the covenanted hands in one department go on strike for higher wages and bonuses—an event not at all unlikely when you get workmen familiar with Trades Union methods. An Indian industry is thus a helpless babe in the hands of a hundred foreigners who can do what they like and no one can stop them.

I trust Mr. Tutwiler's highly sensible recommendation that labourers should get sufficient wages to enable them to provide nourishing food for themselves and their families will not be lost sight of. It is not right that a Company making a princely profit of nearly 70 lacs should be content to pay only 5 annas a day to male and only 3 annas 6 pies a day to female labourers. Considering the risks they have to take, the arduous work they have to perform in exceedingly hot and disagreeable surroundings, their wages appear to be uncommonly low.

The training of Indian labour and the employment of scientifically trained Indians with high qualifications and specialised knowledge in chemstry, metalurgy and applied science (knowledge which few Americans and Europeans in Sakchi can lay any claim to) are two separate questions and should be patiently attended to.

My contention is that there should be—indeed, there must be—a system by which ordinarily educated Indians can be trained up as apprentices in the most important departments of the Sakchi plant, and secondly that the higher type of Indians, including such men as Mr. Nair, Mr. Gupta, Mr. Bose, Dr. Sen, Mr. Drivers (and any number of others of whom any country can be proud) should be not only *employed* by the Tata Company but should be given as fair a chance of showing their capabilities as any German American, Italian or foreign workman.

HIGHLY QUALIFIED MEN AVAILABLE.

There is a very large number of Indians who have taken scientific and technical training in England and other countries. I meet them every day. They possess the highest qualifications; they come back to there own country and find the doors of employment locked against them. Indian capitalists business men pay lip service to scientific and technical training, but when their own countrymen go to them and appeal to them for assistance, they get plenty of advices and adverse criticism but no employment. This state of things is no credit to us, and reminds us of the French official of the time of the French Revolution who when the populace of Paris asked for food told them to eat grass.

If the Tata Iron and Steel Co., the first of its kind in India and the larggest manufacturing concern in this country, which is run entirely by Indians and which is presided over by men like Sir Dorab Tata, whose father gave away the royal sum of 30 lakhs for a science institute, men like Sir Cowasji Jehangir whose charities in the cause of organized progress in arts and research are beyond all praise, and great leaders of finance and industry like Sir Sasson David, Sir Fazulbhai Currimbhai, and Sir Shapurji Broacha, will not do something to meet the just and reasonable aspirations of their own countrymen, commercial India will remain for ever a neglected spectator in the pit and the gallery and will never take its rightful place in the orchestra of the world. I write, Sir, as one keenly interested in India's commercial development, and as a sincere admirer of Messrs. Tata Sons and Co., who (I repeat) have done more than any other firm for the economic regeneration of India. But I take a long view, and look ten or fifteen years in advance. How long will the steel industry in India remain tied to the apron-strings of so-called American "experts," and how long will educated Indian's be excluded from their rightful share of employment in it?

The men who have laid the foundations of this industry will not live for ever but the steel industry will remain firmly rooted in the rocks of Kalimati. The floods of the years will pass away under the silent bridges of time; new men must be trained up *now* to look after its growth and future development.

I am confident that with a proper system on the appretnce or "under-study" line, a staff of sympathetic English officials of the type of Mr. Turner, the English Superintendent of the bye-product plant, and a little goading and vigilance from the Agents, there will not be much difficulty in training up a large number of Indian steel operators in the none too mysterious processes of making iron and steel.

FRESH DUFFLA DISTURBANCES.

REPORTS OF MORE OUTRAGES.

(Associated Press.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 15.

The Tezpur correspondent of the "Englishman" writes:—Fresh Duffla disturbances are reported from Lackimpur and rumours are current that more outrages have taken place, but the latter have not been confirmed. The authorities are reticent. The Political Forest Officer left Tezpur hurriedly for the scene of the occurrence on the 2nd instant with an armed escort. Two more detachments have followed and the Assistant Political Officer from Dibrugarh with a number of armed police passed Dunsiri Mukh en route for Harmutty on the 11th instant.

STATE MANAGEMENT OF RAILWAYS

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—In my last letter I gave a page from the secret history of the Indian Railways. The sensation it has created has exceeded my most sanguine expectations and induces me to give another instalment.

The year 1881 will always be remembered as "the darkest year in Indian history" for it was in that year that the Government of India was forced to sacrifice the economic and social development of India to the railway companies, whose Parliamentary influence was too formidable to be resisted by the Secretary of State.

When the mandate of the Secretary of State to sacrifice India to the companies—under the pretext of encouraging "private enterprise" was received numerous strong protests were put up by the highest officials of the Government of India before Lord Ripon, the then Viceroy of India.

One of the protests was by Sir Guildford Molesworth, the then Consulting Engineer to the Government of India on State Railways. He pointed out that although Lord Lawrence's policy of State construction and management "has been successful beyond all expectation, yet after ten years a reversal of it has been proposed as it is now assumed that it is impossible to combine the necessary rigidity of the government system with the freedom of action required for the successful management of railway." There was no ground for this assumption as the officers in charge of the State Railways enjoyed more freedom of action than the officers of the guaranteed railways. Many of the State railways were yielding a far better return on their capital than the guaranteed railways at the same stage of their growth. Most of the comparisons that had been made between guaranteed and State railway management were very unfair and misleading. The assumption that had been made respecting the efficiency of the agency of joint stock companies and the inefficiency of the State agency entirely ignored the past history of railways in India.

Sir Guildford then proceeded to state that company management *violated every principle of Political Economy and was* opposed to the main grounds on which railway construction should be undertaken *viz.*, for the development of the country. Those who have studied the past history of the railways in India must be aware of the difficulty Government has experienced in inducing the railway companies to lower their rates and must also be cognizant of the manner in which the trade of districts had been paralyzed by high rates.

Further on we are told that the profits made by railway companies must as a rule be considered as taken from the general community and handed over to a select few. But this by no means represents the worst features of the case; for the profit may also be working an incalculable amount of mischief of checking the development of the trade and the welfare of the country.

The Consulting Engineer further said that "private enterprise" in India would mean that the companies would take up all the profitable lines and invariably throw back on the hands of the Government all the unprofitable lines.

"Private enterprise, so-called is, in India, no enterprise at all, but only a high-flown, seducing phrase, which will, I fear prove to be an *ignus fatus* to the Government of this country" were the prophetic words with which Sir Guildford concluded his memorable Minute. Alas! his prophecy is fulfilled.—Yours, etc.,

MEMBER, INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER & BRUREAU.

NEW CINEMA PALACE IN BOMBAY.

THE EMPIRE THEATRE.

Bombay has from the first led the way in India in the number, excellence and enterprise of its picture palaces. It can now boast of what is probably the largest picture theatre in the East. The proprietors of the Excelsior Theatre, who also own the Empire Theatre, its near neighbour, have decided to make the latter their chief Cinema house in the future. The theatre, as some will perhaps remember, was built with the intention of its being devoted to the use of European theatrical companies and with that object in view was designed on the grand scale, both as regards the auditorium and the stage. It possesses, perhaps, the most spacious auditorium in India and the seating is arranged on a most excellent plan that provides at once for the comfort of the audience and their ability to get an uninterrupted view of the screen from every part of the house. The angle of vision, in fact, in the Empire Theatre, unlike the Imperial angle of vision that we hear so much about nowadays, is everthing that one can desire. The theatre has been entirely renovated for the new uses to which it is to be put, and a very attractive scheme of decoration has been carried out, which finds its apotheosis in the beautiful sky design of the handsome dome, which, combined with a very subtle lighting effect, gives a most attractive tone to the whole theatre. The new seats are both comfortable and handsome and if the films only keep up to the standard of the comfort and beauty of the theatre,—as to which there need be no doubt under the capable and enterprising Excelsior management,—the Empire Cinema will certainly be one of the most favoured places of amusement in Bombay.

Last night at the opening performance there was a large and fashionable audience, most of whom attended by invitation of the management, and were most hospitably entertained, the catering being under the charge of the ubiquitous Mr. Stengler of the Taj Mahal Hotel. The attraction on the screen was—"Flanders My Country," one of the finest coloured dramas that has been shown in Bombay. In the dramatic power of the story and the excellent acting of the chief characters, as well as the splendour and beauty of the setting, it excels most films of its kind. The finale is especially thrilling and superbly acted.

THE CONGESTION OF TELEGRAPH TRAFFIC.

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—A correspondent at Delhi, presumably in the confidence of the authorities there, recently telegraphed to the effect that there has lately been a most extraordinary rush of telegraphic traffic throughout India, and attributed it in part to the general prosperity of the country, and in part to the large speculative business at present being put through by the commercial people.

With a staff largely denuded of men, owing to the entire military telegraphists' section ordinarily lent to the department having been absorbed by war requirements, along with a goodly number of the civilians who volunteered for field service, the remaining portion have had to bear the brunt of the traffic and to perform overtime duties.

Notwithstanding this forced impressment of labour, the staff has proved inadequate to meet the demands of the traffic satisfactorily, and there has been a congestion at all large centres, so that the authorities have been compelled to make a frank statement of their position, albeit they have done so, vicariously, through a press representative.

They anticipate that the delays to telegrams will continue, as they have neither the men, nor the wires sufficient to deal with the rush of traffic, and advise the public to resort to the Post as a quicker and cheaper route under present circumstances for short distance communications, which would thereby reach their destinations within twenty-four hours, instead of being hung up in the telegraph offices for a still longer period.

Sir, notwithstanding the above advice and the increase of rates on ordinary messages, the congestion continues, and the local Central Telegraph Office will bear testimony to the fact that messages for important centres have been subjected to inordinate delays, that are not complimentary to those responsible for their speedy transmission, although the staff have cheerfully responded to the demand, and worked up to the best of their abilities.

The substitution of an old officer of over five years varied experience of the office, by a traffic expert from the Imperial City, does not seem to have improved the situation. This official, having come with *carte blanche* to remodel the office, has set about carrying out his mission by introducing new routine rules, which if anything have been vexatious to a degree. It was thought that the previous expert from Europe who returned to it with a C.I.E. in recognition of his work of reform had said the last word in the matter of the speedy despatch of messages, and reduced unnecessary labour and checking of messages to an irreducible minimum, but it has been the experience of the local staff, that his Indian prototype has increased the red-tape to such an extent that the supervisory staff are hard put to it, whether to carry out the routine rules or to utilise their time better in supervising the men and the instruments. Not content with these so-called reforms the officer has tinkered with the watch list detailing men for duties. He has introduced a new, and hitherto unheard-of, duty of 18 to 0 hours with the further possibility of two hours and more of overtime in addition to it. Surely anyone, who was cognizant of the conditions of living in Bombay, where the middle class citizens have perforce to reside in the suburbs, would have recognised the hardship involved in coming on duty at six p.m., and leaving for home so late in the night, without having had a chance of a meal during duty hours, as such meal relief has been vetoed by the officer who introduced this duty. But this new duty has evidently come to stay, and must bear hard on the staff, who have thus to regulate their leisure as well the needs of their "inner man" to suit the traffic notions of a stranger to living conditions in Bombay. His predecessors in office understood the needs of the staff better, and none the less, also of the traffic with the result that the men had no such grievance to complain of or inwardly resent, and traffic traffic also was dealt with as satisfactorily as the circumstances allowed.

Telegraph traffic *per se* remains the same viz. expeditious transmission of messages from one point to another, and routine rules, red-tape and rule-of-thump, methods, not only interfere with its speedy despatch, but are vexatious to those concerned in handling it, especially when they are convinced that these are unnecessary, and are introduced by an officer, who evidently is suffering from a passion for singularity, and who moreover has t ojustify his *raison d'etre* as an expert

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Official and Personal.

His Excellency Lord Willingdon attended yesterday the meeting of the Willingdon Sports Club at the Secretariat.

Her Excellency Lady Willingdon visited the Victoria War Hospital last evening.

The following were guests at dinner at Government House yesterday:—

Mrs. Hill, the Hon. Mr. M. B. Chaubal, the Hon. Mr. Justice and Mrs. Marten, Lt.-Colonel D. J. Collins, Mrs. Collins and Miss Collins, Major E. F., G. Gordon Tucker, Major W. W. and Mrs. Maxwell, Mr. E. Ferrers Nicholson, Mrs. Nicholson and Miss Nicholson, General Nawabzada Obaidulla Khan of Bhopal, Captain and Mrs. T. W. Kirkwood, Captain C. D. Hempson, Captain G. J. Crean, Captain C. S. Cowan, Mr. F. W. Hanson, Mrs. Hanson and Miss Hanson, the Revd. V. J. Fletcher, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Needham, Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Rieu, Mr. T. J. Bennett, Mr. Robert Barlow, Captain Amir Ahmed, Mr. and Mrs. Rustom S. Powvala, Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Wadia.

House Party:—The Hon. Sir C. Sankaran Nair, Major and Mrs. Dalzell Hunter, their Excellencies and Staff.

Pandit Manohar Lal Zutshi has been elected Chairman of the Reception Committee of the next session of the Indian Social Conference in place of the Hon. Pandit Jagat Narain resigned.

KARNATAK COLLEGE.

TO BE OPENED NEXT JUNE.

The Bombay Government have issued the following Press Note:—

Subject to the sanction of the Government of India, his Excellency the Governor in Council has decided to establish a second grade Arts College at Dharwar with a European Principal belonging to the Indian Educational Service, on condition that the full amount of Rs. 2 lakhs undertaken to be collected for that purpose by Rao Bahadur S. K. Rodda and Rao Bahadur R. C. Artal, I.S.O., are paid into the Government treasury before the end of March, 1917. It is hoped to obtain the necessary sanction of the Government of India in time to open the College which will, in the first instance, be located in the Dharwar Training College buildings, by the beginning of June, 1917.

NEW RUSSIAN MINISTER FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

(Reuter's Telegram.)

PETROGRAD, Dec. 14.

M. Pokrowski, Comptroller of Empire, has been appointed Minister for Foreign Affairs

GAZETTE OF INDIA.

(Associated Press.)

DELHI, Dec. 15.

FINANCE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. R. Sundarachari has been posted to the office of Chief Examiner of Accounts, Eastern Bengal Railway.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Mr. J. L. Johnstone has resigned the Indian Civil Service.

ARMY DEPARTMENT.

The following gentlemen have been appointed to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers:—To be Second-Lieutenants (Cavalry Branch): C. D. H. Collinson, D. F. Redeout.

To be Second-Lieutenants (Infantry Branch): C. Fitzpatrick, W. T. Hughes, D. F. Bartlett, W. R. Erskine, F. B. Blackie.

Lieut J. M. Das Gupta has resigned the Indian Medical Service.

Major J. H. Casserley, Indian Army, Temporary Half Pay List, retires from service.

Major H. E. Brown, 47th Sikhs, has been transferred to the Temporary Half Pay List.

The services of the undermentioned temporary Royal Indian Marine Officers are dispensed with:—Temporary Sub-Lieutenants S. McMurty and B. J. Pinkham, Temporary Engineer J. H. Brown, Temporary Lieutenants C. Stancliffe, J. Edwards, H. M. Rogers, G. Bergwitx and H. T. Davis.

The services of Mr. H. F. Forbes, Judge, Small Causes Court, Simla, are placed at the disposal of the Government of India for employment in Mesopotamia.

Sir Edward Durand, Sir Walter Lawrence and others are appealing for funds for a memorial to Sir David Barr.

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by rushing in where other official angels would fear to tread, and doing things which lesser beings would tremble to think of.

In justice to the Staff it must be acknowledged by any dispassionate critic, that they have done their level best to "understand" these so-called reforms and have cheerfully co-operated to make them a success but after nearly three months' experience of the reformers and his ways and ideals it has to be honestly confessed that they fail to find in him the superman that was sent on a special mission from the other end of India.

The Bombay Central Telegraph Office is by far the most important in India, or in the East for that matter, considering the volume and importance of its traffic, as it is situated at the Gate of the East in a City which geographically speaking bears almost the same relation to Asia as New Nork to the New World.

At this time of the year, what with cotton, silver, and other speculation, the telegraphic traffic has increased to an extent that defies previous calculation, and even an approximate forecast. Hence it is evident to the rank and file of workers in the office, who can be trusted to see beyond their own noses, that a traffic expert from Upper India who made his reputation in other surroundings and under a different sky is at a discount in an office like Bombay where he arrives as a comparative stranger.

It is, therefore, to be hoped that he will stay his hand yet awhile, and before introducing fresh reforms, make a further and more comprehensive study of the traffic conditions, as well as acquire a sympathetic knowledge of the staff, who are after all not 'Supermen" but labourers worthy of their hire.—Yours etc.

"NUDA VERITAS."

THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE

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HIGH COURT.

APPELLATE SIDE.

SEQUEL TO A DRINKING BOUT.

TWO SAVED FROM THE GALLOWS.

(Before Justices Batchelor and Shah.)

(1) IRABASYA IRAPA, (2) BASAPA FAKIRALA, (3) SHIDLINGAPA BIN NINGAPPA, Appellants, v. THE KING-EMPEROR.

These were criminal appeals against the decision of Mr. E. Clements, Sessions Judge of Dharwar, who agreeing with the Assessors, convicted the appellants under section 302, I. P. Code, of having committed the murder of one Sanya bin Fakirapa on the 14th July, 1916, at Rannebennur, and sentenced all of them to suffer capital punishment.

The facts of the case are briefly as follows:—

The deceased Sanya was a brother of accused No. 2 and brother-in-law of accused No. 3. According to the prosecution story the two accused hired accused No. 1 to commit the murder of Sanya. The evidence showed that the relations between the deceased and his father were not good. The deceased aged about 18 was addicted to vice and gambling. On the 13th July, 1916, accused No. 1 drank liquor in the compound of the girls' school at Rannebennur in the company of the deceased, Hanmanta the approver, Ganebasaya, Durgi and Yammi two prostitutes between 8 and 10 p.m. Then he adjourned to the house of Durgi where in the company of one Mohidin they smoked Ganja and Bhang till 10-30 p.m. Next accused No. 1, the deceased, and Hanmanta went towards Bankar's bungalow to see a pleader who wanted plantain and cocoanut leaves. Thereafter they turned towards the garden of accused No. 1's uncle, where accused No. 3 and one Jamana began to cut plantain leaves, while accused No. 1 got up a cocoanut palm and threw down some cocoanuts. Having plucked 8 or 9 cocoanuts accused No. 1 come down and asked the deceased to hold a cocoanut while he broke it by means of a stone. While the deceased had stooped and was holding the cocoanut, accused No. 1 lifted a stone and under the pretext of breaking the cocoanut, threw it on the neck of the deceased, who then fell down to the ground. Soon after some 5 men of the village Karur came on the spot and all the accused and Jamana dug a pit in the manure heap and buried the deceased. On the 16th July, 1916, Rudrappa and three others were brought by accused No. 1 under the pretext of taking them to a drama and were taken to the garden and were forced to carry the body to a field near the village of Hulhatti where the body was buried near a bund.

The prosecution case was that accused 1, although a friend of the deceased, had been hired by accused 2 and 3 to commit the murder. The father of the deceased Sanya had, some months prior to the murder, made a gift of his property to accused No. 2's widowed daughter aged 18. This caused disagreement between the deceased and his father and both had been bound over by the Magistrate. The ill-will between accused No. 3 and the deceased was evidenced by a possessory suit in the Mamlatdar's Court, which the former withdrew 6 days after the murder.

All the accused denied knowledge of the murder and pleaded not guilty.

For accused No. 1 it was argued that he committed the murder unknowingly under the influence of liquor and that it was a pure accident. The case of accused Nos. 2 and 3 was that there was no evidence of conspiracy.

After arguments on both sides, their Lordships accepted the contentions of accused 2 and 3, who were ordered to be acquitted and discharged. The appeal of accused 1 was rejected but looking to the fact that the circumstances attending the murder were left in obscurity, he was sentenced to transportation for life.

Mr. Weldon with Mr. G. S. Mulgaokar appeared for accused 3.

Mr. Rangnekar with Mr. V. R. Sirur and Mr. G. P. Murdeshwar, appeared for accused 1 and 2.

The Government Pleader represented the Crown.

ALLEGED MURDER FOR ORNAMENTS.

ACCUSED ACQUITTED.

(Before Justices Batchelor and Shah.)

MAHMAD VD. SULTANSAB v. THE KING-EMPEROR.

This was a criminal appeal against the decision of Mr. C. C. Boyd, Sessions Judge of Belgaum, who disagreeing with the unanimous opinion of the Assessors on a charge of murder, convicted accused No. 2 under section 302, I. P. Code, and sentenced him to transportation for life.

The facts according to the prosecution are briefly these:—The accused-appellant and one Rao Saheb Anna Saheb Subedar, a distant cousin of the Chief of Vantmuri, had killed an old woman Parwatibai, aged about 70 and robbed her of certain ornaments. In December, 1915, there was plague at Vantmuri where the parties resided. It was alleged that on the 28th December, 1915, both the appellant and Raosaheb got into the woman's house and strangled her to death and removed ornaments from her person. They were seen entering the deceased's house and returning therefrom after some time by three witnesses. But they did not attach any importance to that incident as they knew that Raosaheb was on visiting terms with the deceased and the appellant was his dependent. Suspicion, however, attached to them when in March and April, 1916, Raosaheb was alleged to have pawned certain ornaments belonging to Parwatibai.

ACCUSED'S STATEMENT IN LOWER COURT.

On the 15th May last the appellant was arrested and two days later he made a confession before the First Class Magistrate of the Taluka, in which he stated that he was asked by Raosaheb to assist him in robbing the woman of her ornaments. He having consented to do so, Raosaheb gave him some toddy to drink and then asked him to go over a wall and enter Parwatibai's house. The appellant did so and while he kept the deceased engaged in a conversation with him Raosaheb entered the room and strangled the woman. As she struggled he asked the appellant to help him and the appellant held her neck. The woman died and they subsequently removed the ornaments. This confession he affirmed on the 17th June, 1916, before the Committing Magistrate. In the Sessions Court he, however, pleaded not guilty but after the evidence had been recorded he made a statement to the effect that he was asked by Raosaheb to help him in taking away Parwatibai's ornaments. He consented and he was given some toddy by Raosaheb. The apellant then went over the wall and while he kept the woman engaged in conversation Raosaheb came and strangled her. He at once remonstrated with the Raosaheb for killing her but Raosaheb said that as the deceased had recognised him she had to be killed. He did not assist him in any other way. The appellant removed the bracelets from her person and they both placed the body on a bed and covered it with a blanket and sheet. The Raosaheb was acquitted on both the charges by the jurors, five of whom sat also as Assessors on the charge of murder. The appellant was likewise held not guilty on both the charges.

The Sessions Judge accepted their verdict as to the offence of robbery but he found the appellant guilty of murder relying mainly on the two previous confessions, which he held to have been made voluntarily and without any inducement being offered to him by any one. The appellant was sentenced to transportation for life as the Sessions Judge was of opinion that he had been instigated to do the deed by a person having influence over him.

VALUE OF CONFESSIONAL STATEMENTS.

Their Lordships in delivering judgment observed that it was a case of some obscurity and difficulty. As the appellant was acquitted of robbery they must discard the evidence connected with the robbery. The only substantial evidence against the appellant consisted of certain confessional statements originally made by him on the 17th May, 1916, and repeated by him before the Committing Magistrate and the Sessions Court. The Assessors were of opinion that the confessions were made by reason of inducement. It appeared to their Lordships that the circumstances of the case lent much colour to that view. The appellant was arrested on the 15th May, 1916, and for nearly 5 months he moved about free from suspicion. The Sub-Inspector admitted that when the appellant was brought before him he had no evidence against the appellant. Yet two days later the Court was asked to believe that the appellant who had been in perfect security for nearly five months and against whom the police had not succeeded in obtaining any evidence; voluntarily put his own neck into the noose by confessing to a crime which could not otherwise be established or even suspected against him. Their Lordships held that judging by probabilities it was equally probable to suppose that the appellant's confession was not motiveless but was occasioned by some inducement offered by the police to the effect that if he volunteered a confession he would later be accepted as an approver. That was also a probable explanation of the repetition of those statements on the 17th June and 22nd August. It might well be that the inducement originally offered to him remained operative upon his mind.

Their Lordships, therefore, allowed the appeal, set aside the conviction and sentence and acquitted the accused.

Mr. K. H. Kelkar appeared for the appellant-accused.

The Government Pleader represented the Crown.

CAUSE LIST.

BOARD FOR SATURDAY, THE 16TH OF DECEMBER, 1916.

BEFORE THE HON. MR. JUSTICE BEAMAN

In the Division Court No. 53.

SUITS FOR HEARING & FINAL DISPOSAL

LONG CAUSES.

1107-16—Ardeshir H D and Co, Parashram Pandurang Mahtre v Karsondas Premji, Little and Co. Part heard.

1172-12.—Malvi H M and R, Kasturchand Sadasukh v Shamchandra Rampratab, Surajmal and Co, Part heard, 28-11-16.

S C 1079-16—Maneck D and Co, Thacker Tulsidas Narsey v Thaker Harjiwan Cullianji and anr, Part heard, 21-11-16.

648-15—D J Mantri, Pundlik Rowji v Laxman Jairam, Patell and Eze.

939-16—Jehangir M S, Kapurchand Seshmull and Co a firm v Jethaji Lakhaji and Co a firm, Payne and Co.

772-15—Captain and V, Sidick Haji Allarakhia v Gool Mahomed Haji Allarakai and ors, Mulla and M.

576-16—S A Tyabjee, Abdul Rehman bin Abdulla and anr v Lakshman Yenkoji and anr, Judah and S.

567-15—Madhowji K and Ch. Jamkurtelon widow v Haji Esst Haji Abdul Shakhoor, Purnanand and Co.

751-07—Raghavaya N and Co, Shaik Assunmal and ors v S A Kalathavnor and anr, Bhaishanker K and G, Madhowji K and C.

401-15—In person, Anandrao Narayenrao v Naginlal Maganlal Parekh an anr, Mehta D and L.

1031-13—In person, Govindchand Gulabchand a firm v Ganesh Vishnu Hasabnis and ors, Mansukial and Co, D J Mantri.

740-14—Madhowji K and Ch, Ishwardas Lakhmidas and anr v Badriprasad Tikaram and ors, Bhimji and Co, Ardeshir H D and Co, Daphtary F and D. Part heard, 17-7-15.

1061-15—Nanu H and Co, Gopikabai widow v Sakharam Mahadeo Khedekar and ors, Jamsetji R and D, Raghavaya N and Co.

1323-15—Shroff D and D, Bai Saraswati v Mulji Bhimji and anr.

BEFORE THE HON. MR. JUSTICE MACLEOD.

In the Division Court No. 43.

CHAMBER MATTERS FOR DISPOSAL.

LIST A (ATTORNEYS.)

851-14—Motichand and D, Nemchand Keshowji v Ranchordas Dharsey. 4-12-16.

341-16—Pandia and Co, Vadilal Lallubhai a firm v Jivabhai Vadilal. 8-12-16.

565-16—Jamsetji R and D, Haji Ahmed Haji Hassam Dada v Mahomedally Hassanally. 9-12-16.

S C Ct 483/18307-16—Pandia and Co, Bhagwanji Tulsidas v Fardunji Jamaspji, Dikshit D and Pur, 5-12-16.

373-16—E P Nicholson servant to Government, Messrs Brandon and Co, a firm v The Secretary of State for India in Council, Wadia G and Co, Payne and Co. 7-12-16.

532-13—Captain and Vaidya, Vassanji Sojpal and anr v Tricumji Tokersey and anr, Sanbis and Gore. 7-12-16.

570-16—Rustomji and Gin, Amtubai widow v Allibhai Rajabally and ors, Motichand and D, 7-12-16.

905-16—Manchershaw and N, Kanchanlal Girjashanker Desai and ors v Shambhuprasad Girjashanker Desai and ors, Motichand and D, 12-12-16.

910-16—Manchershaw and N, Kanchanlal Girjashanker Desai and ors v Shambhuprasad Girjashanker Desai and ors, Motichand and D. 12-12-16.

500-16—Captain and V, D. Velji a firm v Shamji Champsey and ors, Madhowji K and Ch. 12-12-16.

LIST B (COUNSEL).

2044-76—Bhai K and Gir, Vinayek Wasudev Parmanandas Jivandas and ors v Dwarkadas Goverdhandas and ors, petitioners, Little and Co, for directions.

824-16—Unwalla P and Papa, John Domingos Kinny v John Pascoal Kinny, Kharas and Co, 3-10-16.

348-12 and others, Khunderao L and M, Ahmed Jamal v Shahabudin Gutlay and ors, Mehta D and L, Chitnis M and K, Surajmal and Co, Rustomji and G, Mirza M and M, Mulla and M, Smetham B and Co, Sabnis and G, Tyabji D and Co, Ardeshir H D and Co, M B Chothia. 28-11-16.

862-16—Surveyor and Co, Tuljaram Gokuldas Dalal v Tribhowandas Damodhardas, Motichand and D. 5-12-16.

972-16—Captain and Vaidya, Ebrahim Mahomedally v Salebhai Ebrahim and anr, Little and Co, 11-12-16.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL

LONG CAUSES.

391-14—Daphtary F and D, Peter Manoel Rodriques and ors v Perozshaw Jamsetji Joshi and anr, Wadia G and Co, Part heard.

L. A. Refer 1-16 E F Nicholson, In Re: Government v. Rustomji Muncherji Kooka, Mulla & M, Little & Co.

685-13.—Captain and V, Seth Lalbhai Tricumlal v. Kacharabhoy Kusturchand Ghandi, Motichand & D.

1461-15—Merwanji K and Co, The State of Cambay v Dulabhdas Ruttonji Mistry, Edgelow G W and Co.

1288-15.—Bhaishanker K & G, Kilachand Devchand & Co., a firm v. The Berar Oil Works Ld., Dikshit D & P.

857-15.—Mulla and M, Messrs Doongersey Versey and Co a firm v Hoosenkhan Ahmedkhan and ors, Judah and S.

1159-15—N C Dalal, Chandulal Valumji v. Javerchand Pitamber, Motichand and D.

153-16—Judah and S, Doming Vaz v Jakaria Cassum alias Jakaria Baloo and anr, Tyabjee D and Co.

318-16.—Captain and V, The Advocate-General of Bombay v. Dewkabai widow and ors, Surajmal & Co.

1125-14.—Ardeshir H D & Co., R. D. Sethna v. Waghji Veera and ors, Daphtary F and D.

607-16—Motichand and D, Jaisingji Mohanlal Dalal v Mulchand Jekissondas and Co a firm, Edgelow G W and Co.

329-16.—Matubhai J & M, Abdulla Allarkahia & Co., a firm v. Mahomed Hoosein Hirji.

174-16.—Vachha and Co., Ismail Haji Allarakhia & anr v. Fatma Begum, Jehangir & Seervai.

1450-15.—Ardeshir H D & Co., Raja Bahadur Motilal Shivlal v. Birdichand Jivraj and anr, Matubhai J & M.

321-16.—Tyabji D and Co., A H Vishram v. The Hon'ble Mr. Haji Sulleman Abdul Wahed & ors, Patell & Ez.

768-15.—C P D'Cunha, Robert Nicholas De Monte and anr, v. Alexander Pereira & ors, Daph F & D.

551-16—Jehang'r M and Somji, Bhugwan Tullock and Co a firm v Jagannath Dharmaji Patel, Jamsetjee R and D.

1194-15—Dastur and Co, Messrs Ruttonsey Bhojraj and Co a firm v Ismail Haji Cassum, Wadia G and Co.

BEFORE THE HON MR. JUSTICE MARTEN.

In the Division Court No. 40.

FOR JUDGMENT.

987-16—Motichand and D, Revashanker Jagjivan v Thakkar Lalji Mowji and ors, Purmanand and Co, Amin and D.

FOR CONSENT DECREE.

T and I J 19-16—Shroff D and D, Dharamsey J Thacker v Manmohandas Madhowdas and ors, Edg G W and Co.

SUITS FOR HEARING AND FINAL DISPOSAL

LONG CAUSES.

468-16—Surveyor and Co, Manjoobai widow v Laxmon Moghaji Patel and anr, Jehangir M and S. Part heard.

1323-14.—Bhaishanker K & G, Ebji Umersey, a firm v. Madhavji Virji and ors, Madhowjee K & C, Shroff D & D.

1393-15.—Payne & Co., Isela Macropola, widow v. Alexandra Macropola and anr.

413-16.—Nadirshaw and D, Chandabai Bayabai Bapuji Malwanker v. Mooktabai Malwanker, D J Mantri.

1448-15.—Sabnis & G, Bai Nandibai widow & anr v. Jivibai widow, Edg G W Co.

73-15.—Dubash & Co., Ibrahim Mahomed Haji Ismail v. Fatmabai, & ors, Mulla & Mulla.

620-16.—Motichand & D, Sha Runshi Punshi v. Sha Shivji Gosher & ors, Pandia & Co.

142-16.—Daphtary F & D, The Advocate-General of Bombay v. Mahomedally Allibhoy Kachwalla, & ors, S H Tyabji, Ard H D & Co.

1182-15.—S A Tyabji, Bhicoobai widow v. Hariba Raghooji Jambookar, & ors, Craigie B & C, Amin & Dasai, Man & N M B Chotia.

THEFT OF A RAILWAY TICKET.

Before the Third Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Inspector Sorabji of the G. I. P. Railway charged a Purdeshi, Brij Behari, with the theft of a third class railway ticket from Bombay to Madras belonging to a Chinaman Chinsing Ahnam.

The prosecution story was that on Thursday night the complainant bought a ticket at the Victoria Terminus, and missed it which he had, kept on his trunk, while counting the change. The accused who had also purchased a ticket for Dhond, went to the ticket clerk and tried to dispose of the ticket, saying that the friend for whom he had bought it had not arrived in time. The coaching clerk who had been informed of the theft had the accused arrested. The accused pleaded guilty to the charge; the Magistrate convicted him, but deferred passing sentence to enable the police to make enquiries regarding the antecedents of the man.

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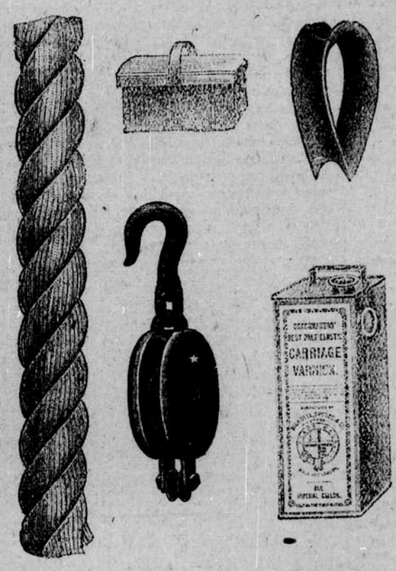

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The Havas Agency's correspondent at Amiens, writing of the great air fight which took place on November 11th between British and German airmen, says:—

Thirty machines ascended north of the Somme with a definite objective situated beyond the enemy's lines. The weather was perfect, and the airmen had hardly crossed the lines when a swarm of enemy machines rose in the air, thus confirming the hypothesis that the Germans had concentrated a large number of aeroplanes at this part of the front.

The British airmen, far from avoiding an engagement, although numerically inferior to the enemy, made straight for the German squadron.

Each airman chose an opponent, and several engaged two of the enemy machines.

The British soldier in the trenches watched with rapt attention the vicissitudes of the great fight. In a few minutes six of the German machines were brought down, while others, attacked and pursued, hastened to regain their bases.

The British airmen, who regarded the fight as merely an incident of their journey, continued their way to the invaded territory, and after having attained their objective returned to their lines.

HOW THE VICTORS CAME PROUDLY BACK.

The German airmen in the West have grown bolder than for a long time past. Evidently (says the special correspondent of "The Times" at British Headquarters) they have largely increased the number of their machines upon this front, and they are making a more serious attempt to dispute the mastery with us than they have made this summer.

That the Germans will continue to struggle desperately to regain some measure of the air supremacy—and of the self-respect—which they have lost, we must presume. The winter will probably see very bitter fighting; if not often battles on so grand a scale as that on November 9.

MORE SAVAGE THAN EVER.

But all air fighting now is much closer and more savage than it has ever been before. With the greater speed of machines and greater cleverness in handling the old leisurely combats are no more, when two machines might fly side by side and empty successive drums of ammunition each at the other.

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It is a long time since the German initiated anything new in the air. Now, in his recrudescency of activity, he is doing his best to learn from us.

COPYING BRITISH METHODS.

He copies exactly our methods, formations, and air tactics. In the recent moonlight nights especially, his airmen have been penetrating behind our lines, trying to bomb railheads and transport, and so forth; and individual Germans are even getting so bold as to do what we have done for the last four months, namely, fly low enough to use their machine-guns on troops in trenches or on columns on the road. So far, they are making little by it; and they are having a most exciting time.

One of the chief evidences of the new activity has been the great aerial battle, wherein some seventy aeroplanes were engaged.

It took place between nine and ten o'clock on the morning of November 9 well over the German lines, north-east of Bapaume, whither certain of our aeroplanes were bound on a bombing expedition. With them were fighting machines and scouts, making in all a fleet of thirty sail.

Near the villa of Mory, just before reaching Vaulx-Vraucourt, they sighted an enemy squadron somewhat outnumbering themselves, the actual strength being something from thirty-six to forty aeroplanes.

"WE ATTACKED AT ONCE."

We attacked at once. Some of our machines were flying at a higher level than the enemy, and they plunged headlong to join in the general egagement, which was fought at an average height of not much above 5,000ft.

Of the melee which followed it is impossible to get any coherent account, for no man in it had time or thought for anything except the enemy machines with which he was successively engaged; but for twenty minutes there raged among the clouds such a battle as the world has never seen before; an inextricable tangle of single combats, of darting, swirling machines, the air filled with the roar of seventy propellers and the chatter of guns.

Four of our machines were lost—that is to say that they were compelled to descend in German territory, a strong westerly wind drifting the battle as it raged more and more over enemy's soil. In the ships which came home, one brought a dead observer, and two others, with wounded pilots, had difficulty in beating up against the wind and landing in our lines.

ENEMY ROUTED AND DISPERSED.

Of the enemy we know that six machines were sent to earth, of which three are known to have crashed. What happened to the other three, beyond that they were falling out of control, is not known. In yet another the pilot was seen to be shot dead. What further casualties the enemy suffered he only is aware; but the best evidence that the victory was ours lies in the fact that the whole enemy formation was broken and scattered.

The Germans fled for safety in all directions, leaving us in possession of the sky.

MURDER IN A CHURCH.

PREACHER SENTENCED TO DEATH.

(Associated Press.)

BANGALORE, Dec. 14.

Mr. R. B. Plummer Bar-at-Law, Sessions Judge, Bangalore, has disposed of a case in which a Roman Catholic preacher of Kunigal was charged with the murder of a British Military pensioner employed by the Mysore State on Treasury guard duty. Both the accused and the deceased belonged to the Tamil Catholic community and the crime is alleged to have been committed inside the Catholic church at Kunigal and the sword with which the fatal injuries were inflicted was concealed behind the altar. The deceased and the accused were neighbours and previous to the date, Sunday June 4, on which the murder took place, it was stated that the deceased made improper overtures to the accused's wife and the latter complained about it to her husband. The deceased went to the church on Sunday morning and was not seen till two days later when his body with cuts on it was recovered from a neighbouring well. It was alleged that the accused after inflicting injuries dragged the body and threw it into a well. The accused pleaded not guilty and denied everything.

The assessors found him guilty and the Sessions Judge agreeing with them passed the sentence of capital punishment on him.

TINO'S BETRAYAL OF SERBIA.

REVELATIONS OF A SHAMEFUL ACT.

Several of the Athens correspondents give further details of the revelations made by a superior French officer in the "Eleutheros Typos."

This officer recounts who the Skouloudis Government tricked Serbia when she proposed to attack Bulgaria before the latter could complete her mobilisaion. The Greek Government then dissuaded M. Pashitch from such an attack, saying that if Serbia was the aggressor this would eliminate the "casus foederis" which would only become operative if Serbia was attacked. Serbia stayed her hand, believing that Greece would at least stand by her if she was attacked. When, however, the attack took place King Constantine refused aid, and Serbia was crushed.

In the course of the interview the French officer affirms that Greece is bound by a secret treaty not only with Germany but also with Bulgaria and Turkey, and that this treaty had been carried to and fro by the two German surgeons who came to operate on the King in the summer of 1915.

The accusation is also made categorically that many Greek officers in Macedonia have been employed in espionage in connection with the Allied armies, and that the Allies hold a copy of an order issued by General Dousmanis to the Greek Army in Salonica to choose such positions as would enable it to keep the Allied troops surrounded and dominated by Greek guns.

KAISER'S VISIT.

Other statements made by the officer are that when the Kaiser visited Nish he came down and entered Greek territory, and met at Sorovitz several highly placed Greek personages. The Prince of Lippe came to Greece to arrange the descent of German troops into Eastern Macedonia, where they were to effect a junction with the Greek armies.

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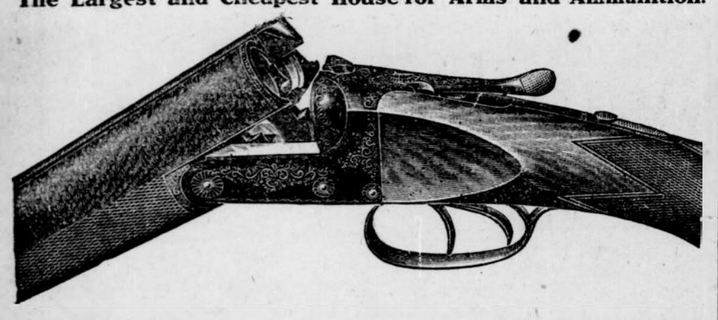

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Judgment was given on November 10th against the applicant by the Lord Chief Justice, in the case in which Dr. Mir-Anwaruddin, a member of the English Bar and a Mohammedan, contended that his Mohammedan "bill of divorcement" put an end to a marriage contracted in England with an Englishwoman, who subsequently left him.

He had been refused a marriage licence by the Registrar at Hammersmith for a second marriage on the ground that the former marriage in March, 1913, constituted a "lawful impediment." The doctor secured a rule nisi, which was argued before a Divisional Court, when the Solicitor-General appeared for the Crown, to ask that the rule should be discharged, and Dr. Mir-Anwaruddin conducted his own case.

The Lord Chief Justice said the applicant's declaration, or "bill of divorcement," could not dissolve a marriage contracted in this country, and there was therefore a lawful impediment to the second marriage of the applicant.

NOT IN ENGLISH LAW.

No authority could be found in English law to establish the principle that a marriage contracted here could be dissolved by the mere operation of the religion of the husband. For this purpose the wife did not acquire the religion of the husband or become subject to its customs.

His lordship said that after the English girl, whom Dr. Mir-Anwarruddin married in 1913, secured a magistrate's separation order, the doctor, a native of Madras, went before a civil judge there and obtained a decree for restitution of conjugal rights, and after that made his Mohammedan "writing of divorcement."

The Court had been told that by the religious law recognised by the applicant he had a right to have four wives. The only marriage recognised in the country in which the first marriage took place, and indeed in all Christendom, was a marriage of an exclusive kind with one woman.

NOT APPLICABLE.

A Mohammedan "bill of divorcement" was not applicable to a marriage celebrated in England according to English law with a woman domiciled in England.

Mr. Justice Darling said that to adopt Dr. Mir-Anwaruddin's contention would open the way to recognition of the Turkish custom, where polygamy was the essence of the contract. The doctor could no more carry about an arbitrary, undisclosed, power to annul his contract than an actual capacity to make it. If his view was allowed to obtain he might demand from the Registrar four certificates at once and might proceed to marry as many English women of the Christian faith, yet it was plain that not one such union could give the woman espoused the status of wife according to the English law, for, if it did, these certificates would permit of bigamy. They would be, in fact, no less than licences to commit three separate felonies.

Mr. Justice Bray concurred.

Dr. Mir-Anwaruddin applied for leave to appeal, and was told that he did not require leave.

CHIVALRY OF THE AIR.

TOUCHING BRITISH TRIBUTE TO BOELCKE.

According to a Berlin official telegram, a British airman on November 11 dropped behind the German lines on the Somme front a wreath to which were affixed a dedication and a letter.

The dedication said:—

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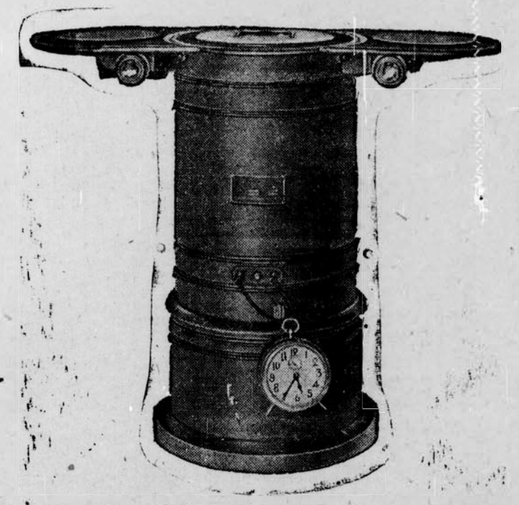

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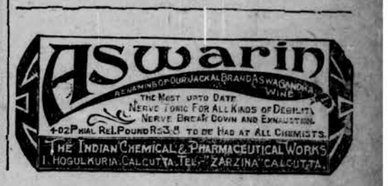
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The following casualties are announced:—

LONDON, Dec. 5.

KILLED.

Second-Lieut E F Lawlor, Monmouths.
Second-Lieut G M Slinger, Field Artillery.
Captain J Tilley, Norfolks.
Captain A I W Wilson, Manchesters.
Captain R F Wolstenholme, Cheshires.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING. NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut D K Cooper, Northamptons.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut B L James, Buffs.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NWO DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut J Y F Dick, Highland L I.
Second-Lieut A A S Hamilton, Berkshires.
Second-Lieut W H L Parry, Royal Fusiliers.

WOUNDED.

Surgeon-Major F W Bailey, Field Artillery.
Major M H C Bird, Garrison Artillery.
Second-Lieut H E Fitzgerald, Cheshires.
Captain R B Ireland Engineers.
Second-Lieut D J Jones, Engineers.
Captain J Nichols, Londons.
Second-Lieut G W A Park, East Yorks.
Lieut P A H Thornley, Manchesters.
Second-Lieut J Tyrie, Worcesters.

LONDON, Dec. 6.

KILLED.

Captain I M Brown, Medicals.
Lieut R L Bruce, Cameronians.
Second-Lieut N Fitton, Royal Fusiliers.
Captain A H Hall, Somersets.
Second-Lieut A C Dawson, Cameronians.
Second-Lieut H B Murray, Machinegun.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, MISSING NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut S C Goodchild, Essex.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING BELIEVED KILLED, NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut P Uren, Lancashire Fusiliers.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSINNG BELIEVED WOUNDED, NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut P K Brown, Lincolns.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut B S Bambridge, Buffs.
Second-Lieut W O Crowther, Sherwoods.
Second-Lieut J Kerr, Highland L I.
Second-Lieut R A C Matthews, East Lancs.
Captain C O Slacke, Irish Rifles.
Second-Lieut A M Wilson, East Surreys.

DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut R G Carnall, Machinegun.
Captain J R Frow, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut C J Horsey, South Lancs.
Lieut A M Jones, Scots Guards.
Lieut J Mundy, Durhams.
Second-Lieut H C Rendell-Dunn, North Lancs.
Second-Lieut F P Stubbs, Sherwoods.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut L R Armitage, Wellingtons.
Lieut C G C Monerieff, East Yorks.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Second-Lieut J S N Moss, Engineers.
Major C S Traill, Camerons.

DIED.

Captain L Wilson, Essex.

WOUNDED.

Major H W G Burnett-Hitchcock, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut H W Carter, South Staffords.
Second-Lieut A J M Causer, Field Artillery.
Lieut G E Cockson, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut W Dobson, East Yorks.
Second-Lieut W Ford, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut G M B Gibson, Cameronians.
Second-Lieut H Grugeon, Shropshires.
Second-Lieut A C Hutchesca, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut G A Johnston, Cameronians.
Second-Lieut V M McMahon, Dublins.
Second-Lieut C C Mann, Warwicks.
Major A J Methuen, Rifle Corps.
Captain W H Payne, Medicals.
Second-Lieut R J Thomas, Befords.
Captain L T Thorp, South Wales Borderers.
Second-Lieut J Whelan, Welsh Regt.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW NOT WOUNDED.

Lieut E F Millar, Sherwoods.
Second-Lieut A P Raikes, Worcesters.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW WOUNDED MISSING.

Lieut R F Colquhoun, Highland L I.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW MISSINNG BELIEVED KILLED.

Second-Lieut C P G Aldrich, Royal Fusiliers.

MISSING BELIEVED DROWNED.

Lieut J Cropper, Medicals.

KILLED.

Second-Lieut J Bennett, Engineers.
Second-Lieut A Cross, Liverpools.
Second-Lieut N McMillan, Black Watch.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW KILLED.

Second-Lieut H G W Clay, East Surreys.
Second-Lieut D McDiarmid, East Lancs.
Lieut A F Taylor, Suffolks.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW DIED OF WOUNDS.

Second-Lieut C L Davies, Middlesex.
Second-Lieut H W Gibson, Dublins.
Second-Lieut R N Keay, Black Watch.
Second-Lieut S V Watton, South Lancs.

ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Lieut L H F Kerr, Service Corps.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED DIED, NOW ACCIDENTALLY KILLED.

Second-Lieut H E H Travers, Sherwoods.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut W Bower, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut W E Carnegham, Connaughts.
Lieut E E Carrell-Wilcocks, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut J P Gregory, North Staffords.
Second-Lieut C Keith-Johnston, Bedfords.
Second-Lieut C J Lloyd, Welsh Fusiliers.
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Second-Lieut A Ramsden, Leicesters.
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Lieut C B Smith, Lanc Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut H L Way, North Staffords.
Second-Lieut R E A Webster, Oxford and Bucks.
Second-Lieut J V Wilson, Royal Scots.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW NOT WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut J E Hart, Middlesex.
Second-Lieut M R Preece, Middlesex.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED WOUNDED, NOW WOUNDED MISSING.

Second-Lieut R A Cresswell, Oxford and Bucks.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING, NOW DIED AS PRISONERS OF WAR.

Lieut E C Lansdale, Service Corps.
Lieut G K Will, West Yorks.

LONDON, Dec. 7.

KILLED.

Second-Lieut J H Elliott, Warwicks.
Second-Lieut J H Fisher, West Ridings.
Lieut H Saxon, Lancasters.
Second-Lieut J Turner, Gordons.

WOUNDED.

Second-Lieut M L Daniels, Berkshires.
Major H A Denham, Garrison Artillery.
Captain D Elliot, Borderers.
Second-Lieut N N L Fynmore, Field Artillery.
Second-Lieut C P Graham, West Yorkshires.
Second-Lieut C H Horswell, Gordons.
Second-Lieut V Huffam, Norfolks.
Second-Lieut H A Jeffries, Royal Fusiliers.
Second-Lieut G W A Kingham, East Kents.
Second-Lieut W A Orton, Dorsets.
Captain G W Richards, Welsh Regt.
Captain J Smith, South Wales Borderers.
Captain P Smith, Medicals.
Lieut N G Terry, West Yorkshires.
Second-Lieut E F Whiting, Devons.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING NOW WOUNDED AND PRISONER OF WAR.

Lieut J H Lowson, Royal Scots.

PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING NOW PRISONERS OF WAR.

Second-Lieut G E Overbury, Worcesters.
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NAVL CASUALTY.

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Captain Hugh Edwards.

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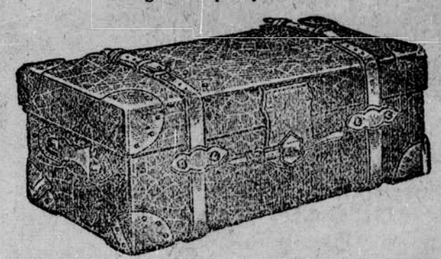

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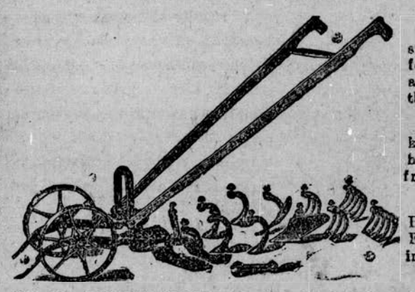

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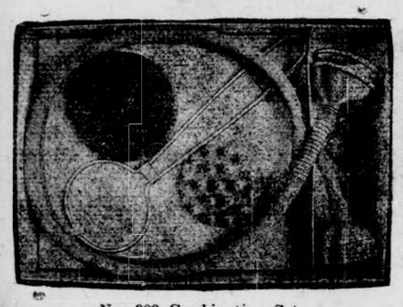

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AIR WONDERS AFTER WAR.

The strides that French aviation has made during the war is the subject of an enthusiastic article in the "Temps."

The writer admits that he is an optimist in all that concerns flying machines, and basing his views on what has been accomplished up till now, he predicts startling developments in this direction in the early future.

The paper urges, in fact, that notwithsanding that the war is not over, means should be taken forthwith to organise aerial mail and parcel post services, even if not light freight transports by air.

Compared with what was the case at the outbreak of the war, aeroplanes now in use by the army are twice as fast as then, they climb ten times quicker, the weight they can carry is five to ten times heavier, and their engines are often doubled or tripled. Great as are all these improvements, they have by no means reached finality.

As for the results obtained, merely for the three months running from July 1 to September 30 last, the French air branch put 250 enemy planes and twenty-five captive balloons out of action; they dropped over 6,000 bombs in 150 different parts of Germany or territory occupied by the enemy. The Essen raid was over a distance of 500 miles, and several raids of 300 miles or so have been executed. The enemy's airmen have never dared attempt anything approaching this, nor can they bear comparison with the French observation work along the immediate front itself.

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As for the application of the aeroplanes after the war to ordinary industrial and travelling requirements, the "Temps" believes it will become most advanced in the Colonies, countries that are more or less virgin soil, in the matter of railways and trade routes. Aeroplanes cost next to nothing to run compared with the rail, and their employment would open up a country fifty years quicker than the methods hitherto adopted.

Proposals are under consideration for using aeros for mails and parcels in France straight away. The Minister of Commerce is devoting much time to the idea, having received offers tha deserve his best attention. In the event of their being accepted, passenger services would quickly follow.

AMAZING FEAT OF A V.C.

HOW "TODGER" JONES TOOK 102 GERMANS.

Sergeant Tugg, of the Royal Army Medical Corps, who witnessed Private Tom Jones, of Rucorn, win his Victoria Cross, has described the amazing way in which the Cheshire soldier took a hundred German prisoners. The sergeant's story is as follows:—

"On September 25 we took a village and started to dig ourselves in. Soon bullets began to fly all round. Jones turned to his officer and said, 'They nearly got me, let's get at them or there will be trouble.' The officer declined to sanction a charge. The shower of bullets continued and the man next to Jones was hit. Jones then said to the officer, 'If I am to be killed I'll be killed fighting not digging.'" He grabbed his rifle and walked over to the German trenches alone.

"Everyone expected him to go down instantly, and we learned later that one bullet had gone through his helmet and three through his tunic. We gave him up when he entered the German trench, but eight minutes later two of his pals said, 'He's gone, and we'e going too.' Others followed, and when they got across they saw a sight they'll never forget. There was Todger Jones standing by a hundred of the enemy in a big hollow, he was threatening them with bombs, and they all had their hands up. Jones told them to put on their coats, and his pals helped to round them up. They included an officer of the German Staff.

"HANDS UP!"

"From the prisoners we learned that he had bombarded the door of their dug-out, killing the first three who showed themselves. Then he ordered them to come out one by one with hands up, threatening instant death for disobedience. One by one they came out and lined up until 102 stood before the bomb thrower in the attitude of surrender."

Sergt. Tugg adds that the man in the trenches went almost wild with delight when Jones returned at the head of his captives, and 11 officers joined in recommending him for the Victoria Cross.

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COMING CONFERENCES OF THE ALLIES

The special correspondent of the "Secolo" in Paris announces that as a sequel to the recent Conversations between the French, Italian, Russian and British Governments a grand reunion of the Supreme Army Staffs of the Allied Powers will be convened in Paris in the near future with the object of realising more perfectly the single front idea. A political congress of leading statesmen is mooted for the same time, but no precise details can be given.

Signor Leonida Bissolati will shortly proceed to Paris on a special mission, and may afterwards visit London.

The Milan evening journal "La Sera" is assured from what is styled a competent source that in order to avoid damaging complications the Allied Governments have resolved against the assembly of any peace congress on the conclusion of the war. As far back as last March the Allied States sketched together a general outline of the conditions they intend imposing upon the Central Empires and their Bulgar-Turkish confederates. Since that date the main details have also been gradually filled in, so that on the day of victory the Allies will present this synthesis of their immense labours to the foe for unconditional acceptance or rejection en bloc.

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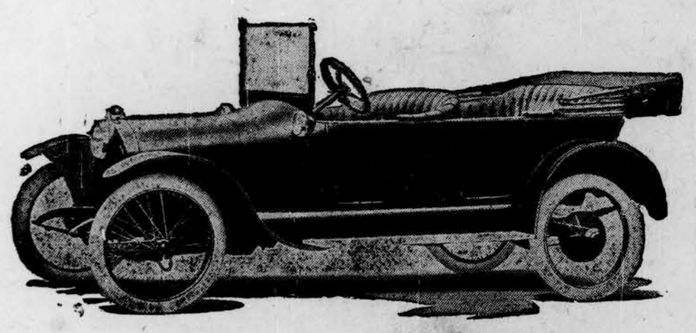

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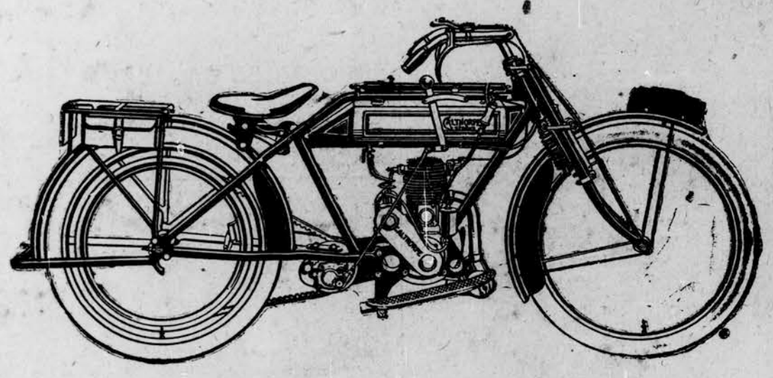

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